

Ex.1 Complete the dialogue with the verbs *MUST, MAY, COULD OR MIGHT* and act it out.

A: Look! There's some object in the sky, there, above the hill.

B: It (1) _____ be an aeroplane.

A: Oh, no, look, it's flying too low for a plane. It (2) _____ be a UFO.

B: Don't be silly. I don't believe in UFOs. They are a fruit of people's imagination.

A: What makes you so sure? Look, it's coming nearer. It has a funny shape. It (3) _____ be a big bird.

B: No it isn't, Birds move their wings. If this thing has wings, it doesn't move them.

A: It's not a plane or a helicopter because there is no noise. It (4) _____ be a UFO! It is so exciting!

B: Don't speak too soon. It is not. Wait! I see now! It is a hang-glider!

Ex.2 Use the modal verbs *MUST, MAY, COULD, MIGHT* in the following sentences to show doubt.

Example: Travelling by train is quite comfortable.

*Travelling by train **MAY BE** quite comfortable.*

1) In the future there will be no nations or races, all peoples will be one big family.

2) In the 21st century humans will colonize other planets of the solar system.

3) Very soon machines will do all possible work for people.

4) Very soon books will disappear and their role will be played by computers.

5) It's not so long before all children will be taught at home with the help of special computer programmes.

6) The world ocean contains as many secrets and mysteries as outer space.

7) The Earth is facing some very bad ecological problems.

8) Soon there will be no paper money or coins, only bank cards.

9) In the near future people will live not less than 200 years.

10) There will be no difference between town and country. All people will live in megapolises.

Ex.3 Use the verbs *CAN, COULD, MAY, MIGHT, MUST* to complete the sentences predicting the future.

1. It _____ be cold and snowy tomorrow afternoon. (90% sure)
2. I _____ buy a new e-book as my old book isn't working well. (75% sure)
3. Our friends _____ join us for lunch today. (30% sure)
4. This new story _____ have a happy ending. (50% sure)
5. They _____ win the match if they try very hard. (25% sure)

Ex.4 Choose the appropriate verbs to complete the sentences.

1. Teddy has been given a mobile as his birthday gift. He (must/could) _____ be happy. (I know that it has been Teddy's dream to get a mobile).
2. Laura (may/might) _____ be late but I doubt it. Laura left the house very early, I don't see any reasons for her to be late.
3. Bob phoned and said he (could/ might) _____ come to see us in the evening if nothing delayed him at work.
4. There is a great possibility that Fred will learn to swim soon. He is a capable boy. I really think he (may/might) _____ swim very well soon.
5. Look at the sky. It's blue and cloudless. But I am sure it (could/might) _____ rain in the afternoon.

