

2º bachillerato. Extra exercises about modal verbs.

A. Choose the correct option:

1. My son be home by now. Where can he be?
a. have to b. would c. should d. could
2. I think your finger is broken. You go to the emergency room.
a. might b. could c. ought to d. can
3. If you are interested in losing weight, you try this new diet.
a. could b. mustn't c. had to d. don't have to
4. Johnnie's fallen down the stairs! I call an ambulance?
a. should b. can c. may d. ought
5. You come too early. We won't leave until nine o'clock.
a. has to b. must c. needn't d. can't
6. The train was badly damaged in the crash, but the passengers get out through a broken window.
a. can b. had to c. ought to d. were able to
7. Children be accompanied by an adult at the zoo.
a. ought b. must c. would d. mustn't
8. You smoke in hospitals. It's forbidden.
a. don't have to b. mustn't c. couldn't d. ought to
9. I can feel the heat. We be near the fire.
a. can b. would c. must d. have to
10. They hear him because he was whispering.
a. wouldn't b. mustn't c. shouldn't d. couldn't
11. You've never heard of Shakira! You be serious!
a. must b. had to c. can't d. shouldn't
12. you like to have dinner with me tonight?
a. Could b. May c. Should d. Would
13. You let him hear about the party tomorrow. It's a surprise!
a. mustn't b. wouldn't c. couldn't d. can't
14. speak to the Chief of Police, please?
a. Must I b. May I c. Would I d. Am I able to

B. Rephrasing. Use the correct form of the modal perfect.

1. The plane probably crashed over the jungle. (Must)
2. There is no possibility that Mark was involved in the crime. (Could)
3. Maybe Janet invited him here tonight. (Might)
4. We expected him to pass his exams, but he didn't. (Should)
5. It was a bad idea that they asked him to do it. (Should)
6. It was wrong to stay out all night without phoning me. (Should)
7. She isn't in the office so perhaps she went home. (May)
8. I'm sure she was quite angry when she said it. (Must)
9. Perhaps she learnt English as a child. (May)
10. There's a possibility that Tom drank all the orange juice. (Might)

Solutions:

Exercise A:

1. C
2. C
3. A
4. A
5. C
6. D
7. B
8. B
9. C
10. D
11. C
12. D
13. A
14. B

Exercise B:

1. The plane must have crashed over the jungle.
2. Mark couldn't have been involved in the crime.
3. Janet might have invited him here tonight.
4. He should have passed his exams.
5. They shouldn't have asked him to do it.
6. You shouldn't have stayed out all night without phoning me.
7. She isn't in the office so she may have gone home.
8. She must have been quite angry when she said it.
9. She may have learnt English as a child.
10. Tom might have drunk all the orange juice.