

MODAL VERBS: MULTIPLE CHOICE

Choose the correct option to fill in the gaps:

- Paul..... be at home; he always works until 9 p.m.
a) can't b) mustn't c) can
- My sister come back from London tonight, but I'm not sure.
a) may b) ought to c) must
- Carl speak a word of English before travelling to Britain.
a) can't b) wasn't able to c) wasn't allowed to
- Mary have forgotten our appointment. Why isn't she here?
a) can b) must c) may
- I use your phone, please?
a) Must b) Should c) May
- You have told us about Sue's divorce. We made such insensitive comments on her husband!
a) shouldn't b) should c) mustn't
- My son has always been a clever boy; he read when he was three.
a) could b) might c) may
- I'm afraid I go out tonight, I work late.
a) can't/ can b) can't/ have to c) can't/ should

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- You often have headaches. I think you visit a neurologist.
a) may b) can c) should
- There are some black clouds in the sky. It rain this evening.
a) must b) may c) ought to
- The children have finished their homework by the time we get home, but I'm not sure.
a) aren't able to b) have to c) might
- Most children wear school uniforms in private schools.
a) might b) must c) can
- Why didn't you phone Paul? He have given a lift to the airport yesterday.
a) can b) ought to c) could
- A. "Isn't that John over there?" B. "It be John, he's at work now."
a) mustn't b) can't c) shouldn't



- The new student be German, he doesn't speak German fluently.
a) shouldn't b) mustn't c) can't
- Someone's knocking at the door. It be James; he said he' come round today.
a) ought to b) must c) can't
- You buy a dictionary; there are a lot in class.
a) may not b) mustn't c) needn't
- People fasten seat belts when travelling by car.
a) must b) can c) should
- Dad is taking a nap; you make so much noise, children.
a) mustn't b) might not c) needn't
- We've run out of coffee. We get some tomorrow.
a) may b) must c) might
- You better go home now, it's getting dark.
a) would b) should c) had
- You have eaten the chocolate cake, children! It was for dad's party.
a) can't b) might not c) mustn't
- A. "Why is Sue late for work?" B. "Her train have been delayed due to the strike".
a) can't b) ought to d) might
- You bring anything; we've bought everything for dinner.
a) have not to b) may not c) don't need to
- Pam have set the alarm clock since she had the day off.
a) mustn't b) can't c) needn't
- Paul asked me to check the exercises. He thought I have made a mistake.
a) might b) can c) should
- Mrs Black will get angry. I have written the history essay last weekend.
a) must b) should c) may
- I take a bus to school; I go there on foot every day.
a) mustn't b) needn't c) shouldn't
- A. "I like the new TV series!" B. "Are you kidding? You like it; it's the worst programme on TV".
a) needn't b) mustn't c) can't
- Be careful with the knife! It's very sharp, you cut your finger.
a) should b) may c) need to