

## 01 / Study.

## Past Modal Verbs of Deduction

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|--------|-----------|----------|--|
| • I    |           |          |  |
| • You  | must      |          |  |
| • He   | might     |          |  |
| • She  | could     | have +V3 |  |
| • It   | may       |          |  |
| • We   | can't     |          |  |
|        | should    |          |  |
| • They | shouldn't |          |  |

- Kate **must have studied** hard. She passed all her exams with high grades.
- Martin **can't have bought** a new house. He doesn't have any money.
- George didn't study for the exam but he passed. He **might have cheated**.
- Lucy **should have left** earlier. She missed her flight.
- You **shouldn't have taken** this job. I can see you're not enjoying it.

**must have =**

95% sure something was possible / strong evidence

**might/ may have =**

maybe / past possibility

**could have =**

maybe / past possibility

**can't have =**

95% sure something was NOT possible / impossible

**should have =**

a criticism / regret / past advice

**shouldn't have =**

a criticism / past negative advice / regret

## 02 / Classify the sentences. Write "SE" (Strong Evidence), "PP" (Past Possibility), "I" (Impossible), or "R" (Regret).

- You were driving too fast. You could have had an accident.
- I'm really cold! I should have brought my coat.
- They might have won the football match, but Mesut Özil hurt his ankle.
- Tina must have left the office because her coat and bag aren't here.
- David can't have robbed the bank. We were together all day.
- I shouldn't have eaten so much chocolate! She have pain in my stomach.
- Linda may have gone to Cambridge University, but she decided to travel instead.

## 02 Find the matching sentences below.

All the candies and sandwiches are gone!

1

Who broke the coffee cup yesterday?

2

I saw Jennifer run quickly to school.

3

The concert was fantastic last night.

4

The police shot a man in the bank.

5

It was a really beautiful tree.

6

It can't have been Susan at the door.

7

We don't have any milk for the cake.

8

Tom hasn't come to work yet. He has never been late for work.

9

a

She must have been late.

b

He must have missed the bus.

c

Our neighbours shouldn't have cut down the tree in their garden.

d

I'm sure because she was in London.

e

Martha might have eaten them.

f

You really should have come.

g

Sarah may have dropped it.

h

He must have been a robber.

i

You should have bought some at the shop.

### 03/ Circle the correct options.

1. Nina is a very good girl. She isn't naughty, so she ---- have broken that window.

- a) should                      b) must  
c) can't

2. Martin looked worried. He ---- have had a problem with something.

- a) must                        b) can't  
c) should

3. You ---- have shouted at her. She'll never forgive you.

- a) should                      b) shouldn't  
c) must

4. I'm really hungry! I ---- have had a breakfast.

- a) should                      b) shouldn't  
c) must

5. I can't find my house keys, I'm not sure, I ---- them at the office.

- a) should                      b) must  
c) might

6. I failed all my exams, I ---- have studied instead of partying.

- a) may                        b) should  
c) shouldn't

7. I ---- have gone out with my friends but I wanted to watch the soccer game.

- a) can't                        b) may  
c) shouldn't

8. You ---- have watched TV all night yesterday, that's why you feel so tired now.

- a) shouldn't                      b) might  
c) could

9. We are going in the wrong direction, we ---- have missed a turning.

- a) should                      b) can't  
c) could

10. You ---- have talked to her because she wasn't at school yesterday.

- a) can't                        b) shouldn't  
c) might

11. Helen looks happy about her exam results, so she ---- have done well.

- a) should                      b) must  
c) may

12. I saw a strange light in the sky last night. It ---- have been a UFO!

- a) should                      b) could  
c) shouldn't

13. I don't know why she hasn't called me back. She ---- have forgotten my number.

- a) might                        b) can't  
c) shouldn't

14. Emily and Susan ---- have gone out. I can't see them.

- a) can't                        b) should  
c) must