



Modal Verbs Review

Circle the correct answer

1. That's **can/can't/ought to** be Jason- he's on a mission to Mars.
2. You **might/mustn't/have to** smoke in hospitals and schools- it's forbidden.
3. That **will/must/needn't be** the correct answer- I checked it 3 times.
4. In 200 years people **won't/may not/didn't have to** cook any longer- kitchen will have disappeared.
5. You **weren't able to/needn't have/shouldn't have made** dessert for the party- we had already ordered three cakes
6. Babies **might/can't/shouldn't** read comic books.
7. His doctor told him that he **would/ought to/can** lose weight or he will become very ill.
8. We **shouldn't/didn't have to/couldn't** wear uniforms to school on Friday because we had a school trip.

Circle the correct reason for the modal verb

1. His teacher said that he should study more at home. **certain/advice/ability/forbidden**
2. That can't be Kobe Bryant over there- he lives in LA- not New York. **certain/advice/ability/forbidden**
3. You needn't have studied for the test after all- the teacher was absent.
certain/advice/not necessary/forbidden
4. His dentist said that he ought to brush his teeth twice a day or he will get a lot of cavities..
certain/ strong advice/ability/forbidden
5. You mustn't break the laws of a country even when you are traveling abroad.
certain/ability/not necessary/forbidden
6. He couldn't read when he was three years old. **certain/advice/ability/forbidden**
7. We didn't have to go to school on Tuesday- it was a holiday. **not necessary/advice/ability/forbidden**
8. When we were little, we would visit my grandmother's village every summer.
certain/advice/memory/forbidden



Fill in the correct modal: **can/can't/could/couldn't/didn't have to/am able to/may/will/would/have to/should/ought to/must/ mustn't/needn't/shall**

1. When he was five years old, he _____ speak English and Greek, but he _____ speak Chinese or Spanish.
2. In the future we _____ travel to other planets for vacation.
3. You _____ (bring) your English books to school today, because the class was cancelled.
4. It _____ rain- so bring an umbrella- just in case.
5. At our school we _____ wear uniforms- it's a drag. Do you _____ wear uniforms at your school?
6. My mother _____ spend a week by the sea every summer when she was a child.
7. In my school we _____ smoke – even outside in the school yard.
8. Oh I _____ (study) for the math test- the teacher was absent that day. Bummer!
9. We _____ be quiet in class and my teacher is always telling us that we _____ study more.
10. His dentist was horrified that his teeth had turned black- you _____ (take) better care of your teeth.
11. _____ I help you with that math problem- it's looks difficult.

Key Word Transformations

1. His doctor told him that he should eat more fruits and vegetables. OUGHT
His doctor told him that he _____ more fruits and vegetables.
2. Ring! Ring! That may be Tina- she said she'd call at 4. MIGHT
Ring! Ring! That _____ Tina- she said she'd call at 4.
3. I studied 20 hours for the math test- the teacher was absent again. NEEDN'T
I _____ studied 20 hours for the math test because the teacher was absent.
4. Smoking is not allowed in restaurants, schools, and offices. MUSTN'T
_____ in restaurants, schools, and offices.
5. It isn't necessary to bring all your books to school every day. HAVE
You _____ bring all your books to school every day.
6. That must be Marianna over there- I see her red jacket. CAN'T
No, that _____ Marianna- she doesn't have a red jacket.
7. Pilots are able to fly jets and in the future maybe even rockets to the distant planets. WILL
In the future pilots _____ rockets to the distant planets.