

A Circle the correct word or phrase. If both are correct, circle both.

- 1 You **can't** / **couldn't** really talk when you were one year old, **can** / **could** you?
- 2 We **can** / **could** give you a lift home tonight, if you want.
- 3 I wish I **can** / **could** speak Russian, then **I'd be able to** / **I could** read Tolstoy in the original.
- 4 Excuse me, **could** / **may** you tell me how to get to the leisure centre from here?
- 5 I'm afraid we **can't** / **won't be able to** come to the wedding after all.
- 6 Thankfully, we **could** / **managed to** get to the airport just in time so we didn't miss the plane.
- 7 Dawn couldn't **go** / **have gone** to the barbecue as she had to work.
- 8 Would you like to **could** / **be able to** buy the flat you're renting?
- 9 In a thousand years, **can humans** / **will humans be able to** travel faster than the speed of light?
- 10 'Mum, can I watch TV and do my homework later?'
'No, you **may** / **might** not!'
- 11 We could **catch** / **have caught** the last train after all, but of course we didn't know that at the time.
- 12 **Mayn't** / **Can't** I at least stay up till the end of the film?
- 13 Everyone **could** / **was able to** tell that Julie was upset about something.
- 14 **May** / **Can** I open the window, please? It's a little stuffy in here.
- 15 Because we had guests last Saturday, the kids **could** / **were allowed to** stay up till midnight.

B Write a verb from the box in the correct form in each gap.

do • eat • feel • go • have • invite • provide • recover • sit • speak • stand • work

- 1 It seems there's nothing anybody can to stop the conflict escalating further.
- 2 She couldn't anything in her left arm for about two hours. She said it was completely numb. *it's piddo*
- 3 I don't think the Prime Minister will ever manage from this scandal.
- 4 Can I Tracy round after tea? We want to play my new computer game.
- 5 Liz has had another ice cream so why can't I one? It's not fair!
- 6 When I was a child, my brothers and sisters and I weren't allowed with the grown-ups except on special occasions.
- 7 Darren's allergic to wheat, so he can't bread under any circumstances.
- 8 Dominic had said he spoke German, but when we got there it turned out he couldn't a word!
- 9 I'd love to be able from home, but in my job it's just not possible.
- 10 James could for Parliament at the last election – he had enough support – but he wasn't willing to sacrifice his privacy.
- 11 A small cot for babies can if you ask at reception.
- 12 We couldn't to the concert anyway as Jamie wasn't very well.

C If the word in bold is correct, put a tick. If it is incorrect, rewrite it correctly.

- 1 Shouldn't you **getting** planning permission before you start building?
- 2 Gavin really ought not to **be** worn casual clothes to the interview last week.
- 3 She might have **gave** us a call to let us know she was all right.
- 4 You **should** better get a second opinion before you do anything drastic like knock down a supporting wall.
- 5 I don't think you **must** go to school today if you're not feeling well.
- 6 We definitely **should** not judge Karen until we know exactly what happened.

- 7 I probably won't get the job but I **should** as well apply for it, I suppose.
- 8 You **could** have told us you'd changed your mind about the holiday. How are we going to find a fourth person at this late stage?
- 9 We had **rather** book the tickets now, hadn't we? They might have sold out on the day.
- 10 Terry **would** leave his bedroom in such a mess all the time. It's just not good enough.
- 11 Michael was late, but then again he **will** be.
- 12 You **may** have asked me if I wanted to come with you! You know I need to go to the bank!

D Write a word or short phrase in each gap so that the second sentence has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

- 1 I would suggest seeing a doctor if it doesn't clear up.
You had a doctor if it doesn't clear up.
- 2 It was typical of Jerry to forget to feed the cat, wasn't it?
Jerry to feed the cat, he?
- 3 I'm annoyed Diana didn't invite us to her engagement party.
Diana us to her engagement party.
- 4 Buying a yellow car was a mistake – everyone thinks I drive a taxi!
I a yellow car – everyone thinks I drive a taxi!
- 5 Teenagers are noisy, aren't they?
Teenagers make so much noise, they?
- 6 It won't harm us to see what special offers are on at the moment.
We what special offers are on at the moment.
- 7 Don't you think you should type that essay, rather than write it in pen?
..... better type that essay, rather than write it in pen?
- 8 It would probably have been a good idea if you'd asked Dad what he thought.
You to Dad what he thought.

E Write a word from the box in each gap. You will need two of the words twice.

doesn't • got • had • has • have • must • needn't • will

- 1 I have bothered preparing so much food; nobody ate anything anyway.
- 2 Do you to have that music on so loud? I can't concentrate!
- 3 You call before you come round, as we'll definitely be in.
- 4 It was difficult, but I knew I to apologise.
- 5 Trisha need to get a summer job as her parents are quite well-off.
- 6 you have to be there in court yourself, or can a lawyer represent you?
- 7 We didn't to wear a uniform to school today, so I went in jeans and a T-shirt.
- 8 I think Damien to stay in hospital for the next four or five weeks.
- 9 Children not be left unattended under any circumstances.
- 10 We haven't to move out for another six months, but we've started looking for a new place anyway.

- 7 'I can't wait to get that blue top tomorrow.'
'I wouldn't get too excited. They only had one left, so they **may / might** well have sold out.'
- 8 'It's got very cold.'
'Yes, I think it **must / might** easily snow tonight.'
- 9 'I can't wait till Roger gets here!'
'He should **land / have landed** by now, so he'll be here in about an hour.'
- 10 'I hope they've got some tickets left.'
'We **should / might** just be lucky and get the last two.'

I Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between three and eight words, including the word given.

- 1 It's possible that Greg didn't go to Swansea after all. **not**
Greg to Swansea after all.
- 2 It's quite likely that Sasha was lying about what Doug said. **well**
Sasha about what Doug said.
- 3 The most likely situation is that they awarded Grandpa the medal during the war. **must**
Grandpa during the war.
- 4 I'd be surprised if Derek has already arrived. **ought**
Derek yet.
- 5 Jake, is it definite that they haven't announced the winner yet? **will**
Jake, announced yet?
- 6 It's highly likely that Stephen was listening. **may**
Stephen listening.
- 7 It's not possible that Andrew is half Spanish. **be**
Andrew half Spanish.

J Choose the correct answer.

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| 1 Even in a million years, we go back in time. A couldn't B can't | C won't be able to D aren't able to | 6 We as well try to sell this old sofa before throwing it out. A could B should | C might D can |
| 2 I at the exam paper lying on Mr Gregson's desk, but I didn't want to risk it. A could look B can look | C can have looked D could have looked | 7 Jeremy may well not about the accident yet. A tell B to tell | C have told D have been told |
| 3 Eliot better tell his mum what happened? A Mustn't B Oughtn't | C Shouldn't D Hadn't | 8 It's essential that the documents be destroyed immediately. A should B would | C ought to D had better |
| 4 You have let us know you'd changed your phone number. A may B could | C would D will | 9 Luckily I a new pair of sunglasses as I found mine at the bottom of a bag. A needn't have bought B didn't need to buy | C needed not to buy D hadn't to buy |
| 5 lectures at your university? A Haven't students got to have attended B Needn't students have attended C Mustn't students to attend D Don't students have to attend | | 10 I'm thinking of going on <i>Million Euro Spender</i> ; I'd love to spend a million euros in one day! A have to B must | C can D be able |