

# Advanced Modal Verbs Worksheet

Advanced C1-C2 · Side A

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## Exercise A · Fill in the blank (Q1-5)

Use a modal perfect form to express the meaning in brackets.

1. She \_\_\_ (must - deduction) left early - her coat is gone.  
-> \_\_\_\_\_
2. He \_\_\_ (should - criticism) told us about the change.  
-> \_\_\_\_\_
3. They \_\_\_ (could - possibility) taken a different route.  
-> \_\_\_\_\_
4. You \_\_\_ (needn't - unnecessary action) waited - we finished early.  
-> \_\_\_\_\_
5. She \_\_\_ (can't - negative deduction) known - she wasn't there.  
-> \_\_\_\_\_

## Exercise B · Classify the modal meaning (Q6-10)

Write the function of each modal.

**Options:** deduction / criticism / possibility / unnecessary action / permission

6. *You shouldn't have said that to her.* -> \_\_\_\_\_
7. *He might have missed the train.* -> \_\_\_\_\_
8. *It must have been a mistake.* -> \_\_\_\_\_
9. *You needn't have bought flowers.* -> \_\_\_\_\_
10. *You may leave when you're ready.* -> \_\_\_\_\_

# Advanced Modal Verbs Worksheet - Side B

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## Exercise C · Correct the mistake (Q11-14)

*Rewrite each sentence correctly.*

11. She must have be at home.

-> \_\_\_\_\_

12. He should had told the truth.

-> \_\_\_\_\_

13. They might have went to the wrong address.

-> \_\_\_\_\_

14. You needn't have to worry.

-> \_\_\_\_\_

## Exercise D · Multiple choice (Q15-17)

*Choose the correct modal perfect form.*

15. She looks exhausted - she \_\_\_ been working all night.

(a) must have (b) can't have (c) should have

16. You \_\_\_ told me! I had no idea.

(a) must have (b) should have (c) needn't have

17. I \_\_\_ taken a taxi - the walk was only five minutes.

(a) needn't have (b) shouldn't have (c) can't have

## Exercise E · Write your own modal perfect sentences (Q18-20)

*One sentence for each meaning.*

18. Deduction (must/can't have + past participle) ->

-> \_\_\_\_\_

19. Criticism (should have + past participle) ->

-> \_\_\_\_\_

20. Unnecessary action (needn't have + past participle) ->

-> \_\_\_\_\_

# Answer Sheet - Advanced Modal Verbs Worksheet

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## Exercise A - Fill in the blank

Q1-5

1. must have left
2. should have told
3. could have taken
4. needn't have waited
5. can't have known

## Exercise B - Classify the modal meaning

Q6-10

6. criticism
7. possibility
8. deduction
9. unnecessary action
10. permission

## Exercise C - Correct the mistake

Q11-14

11. She must have been at home.
12. He should have told the truth.
13. They might have gone to the wrong address.
14. You needn't have worried.

## Exercise D - Multiple choice

Q15-17

15. must have
16. should have
17. needn't have

## Exercise E - Write your own modal perfect sentences

Q18-20

18. (own answer)
19. (own answer)
20. (own answer)

Total: 20 points | Side A: Q1-10 | Side B: Q11-20