

1 Match statements 1–7 to the correct response (A–G).

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| 1 'She eats in that restaurant every day.' <i>F</i> | A 'Terrible. It can't be very good for the environment.' |
| 2 'We were at the protest until 3 am.' | B 'It could be Jen's. She wears one like that.' |
| 3 'Where are my trainers?' | C 'I'm not sure. It could have been a catfish.' |
| 4 'Whose jumper is this?' | D 'Oh no. You can't have slept very much.' |
| 5 'Charlie received hundreds of donations.' | E 'He must have been so grateful.' |
| 6 'Look at all that black smoke.' | F 'She must love the food there.' |
| 7 'Do you think it was a shark we saw?' | G 'They might be in the garage.' |

2 Complete the sentences with modal verbs from the box and the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

can't	can't have	might (x2)	might have
must	must have (x2)		

- She might have broken her leg. She's having an X-ray now to find out. (break)
- I dropped my phone this morning. The shop said it \$100 to repair it. I can't afford that! (cost)
- This building is enormous. It ages to build. (take)
- It's the most famous film ever made. You it! (see)
- Your flight was delayed for eight hours? Poor you. That much fun. (be)
- It a good idea to bring an umbrella. There's some chance of rain tomorrow. (be)
- Look at all those paparazzi outside that house. Someone famous there. (live)
- For a politician, he's very young. I mean, he older than twenty. (be)

3 Put a tick (✓) if the sentence is correct or a cross (✗) if it is incorrect. Underline the mistakes.

- Oh no, it's burned. I must forget to turn off the cooker. ✗
- It's cloudy now but the weather can change later.
- They're all cheering loudly. They must be supporters.
- I loved the caveman exhibition. It must be very hard to live in prehistoric times.
- He must have felt very proud when he was elected.
- The lights went out and everyone was wondering what could have been the strange noise.
- This mustn't be my bag. Mine's blue.
- Watch your bag carefully. There could be pickpockets in the crowd.

4 Complete the conversation with *must / might / could / may / can't* in the present (+ infinitive without *to*) or the past (+ *have* + past participle) and the verbs in brackets.

- Victor:** Hey Dad, where's Cody?
Dad: I'm not sure, but I think he
 1 might be (be) in the shed.
Mum: No. He 2 (be) in there. It's locked.
Victor: He's probably sleeping somewhere, like he always is.
Dad: No, I heard him barking a minute ago, so he 3 (wake up).
Victor: Oh, here he is. Look Mum, he's completely wet!
Mum: My goodness. He 4 (be) freezing. It's the middle of winter.
Dad: He 5 (jump in) the swimming pool to get his ball again.
Victor: Silly thing!
Mum: Quick. Fetch a towel and dry him off. He 6 (get) a cough and a cold.
Victor: He's a dog, Mum.
Mum: Don't argue. Just get the towel ... David, we need to cover that pool properly, or one day, one of the kids 7 (trip) over and fall in it.
Victor: Mum, I can't find the towel.
Mum: Oh. I think it's in the car, or ... I 8 (put) it in the washing basket. Can you look in there?
Victor: OK, found it!

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- 2 D
- 3 G
- 4 B
- 5 E
- 6 A
- 7 C

2

- 2 might cost
- 3 must have taken
- 4 must have seen
- 5 can't have been
- 6 might be
- 7 must live
- 8 can't be

3

- 2 ~~x can~~ (could/might)
- 3 ✓
- 4 ~~x be~~ (have been)
- 5 ✓
- 6 ~~x could have been the strange noise~~ (could the strange noise have been)
- 7 ~~x mustn't~~ (can't)
- 8 ✓

4

- 2 can't be
- 3 must have woken up
- 4 must be
- 5 must have jumped in
- 6 could/might get
- 7 could/might trip
- 8 could/might/may have put