

PAST MODALS

MUST HAVE, MIGHT HAVE, CAN'T HAVE, SHOULD HAVE

[Exercise 2]

Fill in the gaps with **must have**, **might have**, **can't have**,
or **should have/shouldn't have**.

Example:

You look exhausted. You _____ asked for some help. You know, we are always here for you.

Answer:

You look exhausted. You **should have** asked for some help. You know, we are always here for you.

1. Laura looks very beautiful and healthy. She _____ been ill for so long.
2. I didn't know Matthew had divorced. I _____ asked him about his wife.
3. I can't see Martin anywhere in the hall. I think he _____ gone to the bathroom.
4. Your car looks completely new. It _____ gone 20,000 miles already.
5. Gerald failed his final exam. He _____ spent so much time playing computer games instead of preparing for it.
6. Emma walked ten miles yesterday. She _____ been very tired after such a long walk.
7. Blake is not here yet though he should be. I think he _____ forgotten about our meeting.
8. I don't know why you are so irritated. Everything goes well. I think you _____
_____ misunderstood the task and you are not sure now what to do next.

9. They left five days ago. You _____ met them in the park yesterday,
10. You didn't take any food on your hiking trip. You _____ been hungry.
11. You have made so many mistakes in this project because you are exhausted. You _____ taken a day off and had a good rest.
12. We were out yesterday. You _____ heard any noise coming from our apartment.
13. Claude has been studying arts for five years. I am not sure but he _____ painted this picture himself.
14. Rosie said that she hated learning languages. Though now, she needs to learn Chinese. I suppose she _____ regretted her previous statements.
15. Terry _____ left his keys at work. He can't find them anywhere in the house.

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1. can't have.
2. shouldn't have.
3. might have.
4. can't have.
5. shouldn't have.
6. must have.
7. might have.
8. might have.
9. can't have.
10. must have.
11. should have.
12. can't have.
13. might have.
14. might have.
15. must have.