



# ENGLISH

## Chapter 11 Session A

**5th**  
SECONDARY

**Natural World**

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# HELICOMOTIVACIÓN





# 1 Read the examples and answer the questions.

Present	Past
Ability	
You <b>can/can't</b> hike along the canyon.	We <b>were able to</b> pay for a helicopter tour. We <b>couldn't/weren't able to</b> pay for a helicopter tour.

## Obligation and prohibition

You **must/have to** keep to the paths in the park.

You **must not** feed the animals. It's illegal.

You **don't have to/don't need to** go today.

We **had to** write about our vacation.

They **weren't allowed to** feed the animals.

We **didn't have to/didn't need to** pay – it was free.

## Possibility, deduction and certainty

It **can't** be easy to climb Everest.

Helicopter rides **must** be expensive.

They think Luke **might/could/may** be lost in the canyon.

It **can't/couldn't have** been easy to decide.

It **must have** been amazing to see.

You **may/might/could have** been too far away to see the mist.

- 1 When do we have to use *was/were able to* instead of *could*? affirmative
- 2 Is there a past form of *must/must not* and *may/might*? modal + have
- 3 Which verbs do we use to talk about possibility and certainty in the past? possibility: may, might, could  
certainty: must

## 2 Circle the correct option to complete the sentences.

- 1 You **must not**/don't have to/have to canoe down the river. It isn't permitted.
- 2 People **don't have to**/must not/can't visit in the morning. It's open in the afternoon, too.
- 3 We thought the tour would be full, but in the end we **could**/**were able to**/must not get tickets.

- 4 They **must not/couldn't/didn't** have to walk home alone; they had to walk together.
- 5 You **can/must/have to** walk here if you like.

## should

We use *should* in the present to give advice and make recommendations.

You **should visit** Rio – it's amazing.

**3** Complete the sentences with the correct form of a suitable modal verb. There may be more than one possible answer.

- 1 There are lots of walks you can do, but you shouldn't leave the paths. That's my advice.
- 2 There are bears, so you shouldn't leave food in your tent; it's too dangerous. You must tell the park ranger if you see a bear – that's a rule.



- 3 We were able to build a store near the park entrance last year – finally. We didn't have to do it, but we wanted to improve the camp!
- 4 Last year, people couldn't use the lake path because it wasn't clear. We cleared it recently so people could enjoy walking by the lake.

**4** Rewrite the sentences with modal verbs of speculation and deduction. Use the words in bold to help you.

**1** It's **possible** that Magda explored the canyon.  
Magda might have explored the canyon.

**2** There's **no way** that they are in Brazil now. I'm  
**sure they are at home.**  
They can't be in Brazil. They must be at home.

3 The only possibility is that they rafted down the river. It is not possible that they walked.

They must have rafted down the river. They can't have walked.

4 Maybe they are lost. It's possible that they left the path.

They might be lost. They could have left the path.

5 It's extremely unlikely that they saw a bear.

They mustn't have seen a bear.

**5** Complete the text with the correct form of a modal verb and the verbs in parentheses. There may be more than one possible answer.

# WILDFIRE

When there's a wildfire nearby, the advice is that you

1 should leave (leave) the area; you

2 shouldn't stay (stay). If you 3 can't escape

(not escape) by road, then go to a lake or river. When there were wildfires in California, Elizabeth Wilson went with a team to rescue animals from farms. They 4 were able to (rescue) some horses, even though they 5 could feel (feel) the heat of the fire. They 6 had to work (work) quickly as there was no time to lose. It 7 can't have been (be) easy facing that danger - it 8 must have been (be) extremely scary, but Elizabeth did it.



# Modal verbs

**1**

## Reinforcement

Complete the sentences with modal verbs.

- 1 The park was closed so we couldn't visit it.
- 2 The whole building was shaking. It must have been an earthquake.



- 3 You can look around, but you can't touch anything.
- 4 Mary can go on her own. You can go with her if you don't want to.
- 5 You can't have finished the book already. You only started reading it yesterday!
- 6 Martina was late so we should wait for her.

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**Challenge**

Complete the dialogues. Use the present or the past of a modal verb with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses.

I don't understand. Where was Liam yesterday?

I don't know. He 1 might have been (be) sick.

I thought your printer wasn't working?

It's not, but I sent the homework to my dad and he 2 was able to (print) it for me.



Where were you last weekend?

My parents were angry because I failed two exams, so I 3 wasn't allowed to go out (not/go out).

Do you like the flowers?

Yes, thanks. But you 4 didn't have to buy (not/buy) 50 roses! One or two would have been enough.

**THANKS**  
FOR WATCHING

*thanks*

THANK YOU

Say thank you.  
Say it often, and say it with meaning.

*Marne Levine*