**Workbook**

**Exercise 1**

1. Which one of the pair expresses ability?

a. Can I lift that for you?

b. I can lift that easily.

Answer: B

2. Which one of the pair expresses an obligation?

a. I must go to the dentist. b. I can’t go to the dentist.

Answer: A

3. Which one of the pair expresses a request?

a. Could we meet on Thursday?

b. We could meet on Thursday.

Answer: A

4. Which one of the pair expresses a request for permission?

a. Could I go now?

b. I could go now

Answer: A

5. Which one of the pair expresses a suggestion?

a. Could we meet on Thursday?

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Answer: B

6. Which one of the pair expresses an ability?

a. He could speak several languages. b. He could speak to the boss

Answer: A

7. Which one of the pair expresses an offer?

a. Can you give me a hand?

b. I can give you a hand.

Answer: B

8. Which one of the pair expresses an invitation?

a. We must go out for a drink.

b. We must get out of the building

Answer: A

9. Which one of the pair expresses advice?

a. You should speak to a lawyer. b. You may speak to a lawyer.

Answer: A

**Exercise 2**

Complete the sentences using the words listed.

**can could have to must might should**

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Stephen: Sure, no problem. Actually, you keep it if you want to. I've given up smoking.

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17. Mrs. Scarlett's body was found in the lounge just moments ago, and it's still warm! Nobody has left the mansion this evening, so the killer be someone in this room. It be any one of us!!!

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**Exercise 3**

1. I'm not really sure where Beverly is. She in the living room, or perhaps she's in the backyard.

a) might sit

b) might have sat c) might be sitting

Answer: C

2. Doug the video we rented on his way to work. It was on the table, but now it's gone.

a) must have returned

b) must not have returned c) must return

Answer: A

3. You the air pressure in your tires. You don't want to get a flat tire on your trip. a) ought to checked

b) ought to be checking c) ought to check

Answer: C

4. The computer isn't working. It during production. a) can be damaged

b) must have been damaged

c) should have been damaged

Answer: B

5. The package tomorrow afternoon. It was sent by express mail this morning. a) should be delivering

b) should have been delivered c) should be delivered

Answer: C

6. You the tickets for the play in advance - they sell out quickly. a) has to book

b) have to be booked

c) have to book

Answer: C

7. You can't mean that! You . a) have got to be joking

b) have to have joked c) must joke

Answer: A

8. If Debbie hasn't come home yet, she for us in the coffee shop. a) must still wait

b) must still have waited

c) must still be waiting

Answer: C

9. Mike decided not to join us for lunch. He at work to finish the marketing report. a) had to stay

b) should have been staying c) should have stayed

Answer: A

10. If I had gone with my friends to Jamaica, I on a white sand beach right now. a) would lie

b) would be lying

c) would have lain

Answer: B

11. If I had gone with my friends to Jamaica, I come to work this week. a) would not must

b) would have had to

c) would not have had to

Answer: C

12. If I had gone with my friends to Jamaica, I scuba diving lessons. a) might be taken

b) ought to be taking

c) could have taken

Answer: C

13. Margaret agreed to meet us at the entrance to the theater. She for us when we get there.

a) ought to wait

b) ought to have waited c) ought to be waiting

Answer: C

14. It Sam who called and didn't leave a message on the answering machine. He said he wanted to get together with us this weekend.

a) might have been b) ought to be

c) should have been

Answer: A

15. The machine on by flipping this switch. a) can be turning

b) can turn

c) can be turned

Answer: C

16. She . That could have been why her eyes were so red and swollen. a) could be crying

b) might have been crying

c) has to be crying

Answer: B

17. If she was crying, she very upset. a) must have been

b) shall be

c) would have been

Answer: A

18. That painting by Picasso. It could be a forgery. a) might not paint

b) might not have been painted c) might be painting

Answer: B

19. Your diving equipment regularly if you want to keep it in good condition. a) must have been being cleaned

b) must be cleaned

c) must have been cleaned

Answer: B

20. If I hadn't taken a taxi, I for you at the train station for hours. a) might have been waiting

b) ought to have been waiting c) had to have waited

Answer: A

**Exercise 4**

Complete the sentences using the words listed

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