

Unit 15, Exercises, page 31

15.1

Underline the correct or more natural answer. If both answers are possible, underline them both.

- 1 Valuables *can/are able to* be left in the hotel safe. Please ask at the reception desk.
- 2 We *could/were able to* finish the football match before it started snowing too heavily.
- 3 The rebels *could/were able to* draw on the support of over 20,000 soldiers.
- 4 *Could you/Were you able to* understand Professor Larsen's lecture? I found it really difficult.
- 5 'Do you want a game?' 'Sorry, I *can't/'m not able to* play chess.'
- 6 Look at me, I *can/'m able to* ride my bike without any help.
- 7 When the fire officers arrived they *could/were able to* put out the flames in a couple of minutes.
- 8 The air was so polluted in the city centre, I *could hardly/was hardly able to* breathe.
- 9 I knew John had been smoking. I *could/was able to* smell the cigarettes when I came into the room.
- 10 *Can you/Are you able to* drive without your glasses?
- 11 No changes *can/are able to be* made to this rail ticket after purchase.
- 12 He *could/was able to* untie the ropes without the guards noticing.
- 13 She looked all over the house, but *couldn't/wasn't able to* find her keys anywhere.
- 14 I was very busy at work, but I *could/was able to* have a couple of days off last week.

15.2b

Complete this text with *can, could* and *be allowed to*. Use negative forms where necessary.

It is often said that sports coaches (1) _____ be strict, but athlete Peter Black's was incredibly hard on him in the year before the Olympic Games. For instance, Peter (2) _____ stay up later than 9.00, although on his birthday he (3) _____ watch television until 10.00 as it was a special occasion! Of course, all Peter (4) _____ think of was going out with his friends in the evening, and he (5) _____ hardly wait for the Games to finish and get back to a normal life. When he complained, his coach just said, 'Trust me and you'll win gold – you (6) _____ lose!' And his coach was right. He won a gold medal in the 400 metres in a world record time. And on the night of his victory Peter (7) _____ celebrate – by staying up until 11 o'clock! 'But no later,' said his coach. 'The World Championships are only two years away.'

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16.1

If possible, complete these sentences with *will (or won't)* or *would (or wouldn't)* followed by one of these verbs. If it is not possible to use *will* or *would*, use a verb in the past simple.

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- 1 Amy works really hard. Every afternoon she _____ home from school at 4.15 and do an hour of piano practice.
- 2 Richard phoned yesterday and _____ out for dinner.
- 3 When Dominic was young he _____ any green vegetables.

- 4 The creaking noises in the old house _____ me awake until I became accustomed to them.
- 5 I'm sure that many people _____ seeing Sarah Thomas on television in the 1980s.
- 6 Whenever I had a problem with my maths homework, Sam _____ me.
- 7 After standing on the bathroom scales, I _____ that I needed to lose some weight.

16.2

If necessary, correct these sentences using *would* or *used to*. If neither *would* nor *used to* is correct, use a past simple verb form.

- 1 I would enjoy studying Latin when I was at school.
- 2 Orwell would spend winters in Spain and summers in England.
- 3 We would live in a bungalow on the south coast, and then we moved to a flat in London.
- 4 You used to teach at Halston university, didn't you?
- 5 On Saturdays and Sundays the ferry used to take tourists across to the island.
- 6 The committee would meet four times last week, but still no decision has been reached.

16.3

Complete these sentences with *will have* or *would have* and the past participle of one of these verbs.

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- 1 'I wanted to watch The Simpsons last night, but I missed it.' 'I'm certain Derek _____ it. We can go over to his place to see it.'
- 2 Don't accept lifts from strangers – as my mother _____.
- 3 I don't think the dog _____ anyone, but I was still glad when the owner took it away.
- 4 I'm sure by now you _____ about yesterday's robbery at the supermarket.
- 5 My parents weren't very affectionate towards me. I always thought they _____ a daughter.
- 6 Sampras's rivals _____ the difficulties he had with his shoulder in the tournament last week.
- 7 'Did you like the present Joan gave you for your birthday?' 'Well, an umbrella stand isn't something I _____ myself, but I suppose it might be useful.'

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17.1

Complete the sentences with either *may* or *might*, whichever is more likely. If neither is possible, suggest an alternative completion.

- 1 We _____ go to Majorca for our holiday this summer.
- 2 The planet Venus _____ be seen clearly in the night sky during this month.
- 3 _____ you see Becky this weekend?
- 4 I feel really sore after playing tennis. I think I _____ have a bath.
- 5 'Someone's left their coat.' '_____ it be Ken's?'
- 6 Exceeding the stated dose _____ cause drowsiness.

17.2

Complete the sentences with *may* or *might* followed by one of the following forms of the verb in brackets: *be + past participle, have + past participle, be + -ing, have been + -ing*. If both *may* and *might* are possible, indicate this.

- 1 There's a man lying down on the pavement over there. Do you think he _____ himself? (*hurt*)
- 2 I _____ you this before. I can't remember. (*tell*)
- 3 Is that John's car that just stopped? He _____ for us. (*wait*)
- 4 In the early 19th century a person _____ to Australia for stealing as little as a loaf of bread. (*send*)
- 5 'Ann looks exhausted.' 'I suppose she _____.' (*run*)
- 6 I've heard that the newsagent's is losing a lot of money and it _____ down. (*close*)
- 7 Real Madrid started well and _____ an early lead when Figo hit the post, but Barcelona scored first after 20 minutes. (*take*)
- 8 As little as 50 years ago a worker still _____ for being ill. (*dismiss*)
- 9 'When will the painting be ready?' 'Well, I _____ it by this evening.' (*finish*)
- 10 The race had to be stopped because the oil on the track _____ an accident. (*cause*)

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18.1

Complete the sentences with one of these forms: *must have + past participle; must + bare infinitive; must be + -ing; or must have (had) to*. Use the verbs given.

- 1 When I left my laptop on the train I thought I'd never see it again. But someone _____ it and handed it in to the lost property office. (*find*)
- 2 Janine owns a big car and a yacht. She _____ incredibly rich. (*be*)
- 3 'Everyone's going into the hall.' 'The meeting _____ soon. Let's go.' (*start*)
- 4 Without things like washing machines and dishwashers our grandparents _____ much harder in the kitchen than we do today. (*work*)
- 5 'Where's the camera?' 'If it's not in the cupboard, Ken _____ it. He said he was going to take some photos of the city centre today.' (*use*)
- 6 The children are putting balloons outside their house. They _____ a party. (*have*)
- 7 I didn't think Bob was coming to the meeting. He _____ his mind. (*change*)
- 8 'I wonder how you get permission to go into the building.' 'I suppose you _____ some form of identification.' (*show*)
- 9 'I thought Paul would be home.' 'He _____ Jenny to work. He said he would.' (*take*)
- 10 Look at all those birds. There _____ at least a thousand of them. (*be*)