

GRAMMAR REVIEW – UNIT 11 – MODALS + PAST MODALS

A. Fill in the gaps in the following sentences with suitable prepositions, or adverbials, if necessary:

1. The new drug is derived _____ fish oil.
2. The whole argument rests _____ a false assumption.
3. We regard health as inversely related _____ social class.
4. The pollution of the forest has seriously affected plant life and, _____ a lesser extent, wildlife.
5. The training can give you an edge _____ your competitors.

B. Put the verbs and other words in brackets into their correct forms, add prepositions, particles or auxiliary verbs if necessary. You may need to use the passive forms of the verbs. Do not change the VERBS into any other parts of speech

1. Buyers should _____ (insist / inform) test results, and sellers should be eager _____ (provide) these.
2. Many councils are frightened _____ (force / take) on more responsibilities.
3. Would you mind _____ (refrain / give) advice on subjects I have no clue about?
4. The media seem _____ (persist / blame) subprime loans for mortgage related losses, when it's quite obvious that borrowers of all types _____ (default) their mortgages.

C. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed above it:
Each time use a suitable modal verb.

1. He was supposed to telephone yesterday but he didn't have time.

Although he _____, he didn't get round to it.

2. It was remiss of you not to tell me to cancel the meeting.

You _____ call off the meeting.

3. The cashier did what he was told, so it was unnecessary for the robber to use force.

The robber _____ the cashier did what he was told.

4. Given the staff's lack of interest, her attempt to solve the problem were pointless.

Given the staff's lack of interest, she _____ trying to find a solution.

D. Choose the words or phrases which best complete each sentence. The number of correct answers is **1-3**.

1. I can't start the computer. You a password.
A must have known
B need to know
C have to know
D must know

2. There will be a handout at the end of the lecture so you to take notes.
A needn't
B don't need to
C don't have to
D mustn't

3. The builders _____ by the end of the last week.
A ought to finish
B ought to have finished
C should have finished
D should finish

4. She says she met me in Brazil but it _____ me because I've never been to Brazil!
A must have been
B needn't have been
C can't have been
D should have been