

Lesson 5 / Handout 5a – Modals: Additional practice

Complete the following using must or can't and the correct infinitive form:

Example: *It's impossible that you saw me in the street at 3 o'clock. I was at work at that time. ->*
*You **can't have seen** me in the street at 3 o'clock. I was at work at that time.*

1. *Robert's always spending lots of money. Obviously he's rich.*
Robert's always spending a lot of money. He be rich.
2. *I haven't got my bag. The only possible explanation is that I left it on the bus.*
I haven't got my bag. I it on the bus.
3. *I'm sure it isn't very pleasant living in that terrible place.*
It very pleasant living in that terrible place.
4. *You don't know about this story? Clearly you haven't been reading the papers lately.*
You don't know about this story? You the papers lately.
5. *Erica hasn't come yet. Obviously she's working late.*
Erica hasn't come yet. She late.
6. *It's impossible that you've forgotten this already. I only told you five minutes ago.*
You this already. I only told you five minutes ago.
7. *It shouldn't be so difficult to do this. Clearly I'm not doing it right.*
It shouldn't be so difficult to do this. I it right.
8. *I'm sure it's taken you a long time to do all this work.*
It you a long time to do all this work.
9. *I'm sure you weren't pleased when it happened.*
You pleased when it happened.
10. *I couldn't find what I wanted anywhere. Clearly I was looking in the wrong shops.*
I couldn't find what I wanted anywhere. Iin the wrong shops.
11. *You're much better at this game now. Clearly you've been practising a lot.*
You're much better at this game now. You a lot.
12. *Tom wasn't as cheerful as he usually is. Obviously he wasn't feeling very well.*
Tom wasn't as cheerful as he usually is. He very well.