

## 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. I .....in 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.*