

Exercices sur les modaux en anglais

Rappel: les modaux en anglais sont:

- au présent: can, may, must, will, shall
- au prétérit: could, might, must, would, should

Exercice 1

Remplir avec '*mustn't*' ou '*don't / doesn't have to*' :

1. We have a lot of work tomorrow. You _____ have to be late.
2. You _____ have to tell anyone what I just told you. It's a secret.
3. The entrance is free. You _____ have to pay to get in.
4. Children _____ have to tell lies.
5. Sam is rich. He _____ have to go to work.
6. I _____ have to do my washing because my mother does it for me.
7. We _____ have to rush. We've got plenty of time.
8. You _____ have to smoke inside the hospital.
9. You can borrow my new car, but you _____ have to break it.
10. We _____ have to miss the plane, otherwise we can not go to London.
11. He _____ have to do this work today, he can do it tomorrow.
12. I _____ have to clean the house today because I did it yesterday.
13. We _____ have to forget to lock all the doors before we leave.
14. We _____ have to stay in a hotel in Paris; we can stay with my sister.
15. I _____ have to spend too much money today, as I've only got a little left.
16. They _____ have to get up early today, because it's Sunday.
17. I _____ have to eat too much cheeseburgers or I'll get fat!
18. We _____ have to be late for the exam.
19. You _____ have to tidy up the room now. I'll do it later.
20. He _____ have to cook tonight because he's going to a restaurant.

Exercice 2

Choisir le modal qui convient:

1. I have no idea about cars, but Simon _____ help you.
could / might be able to / would
2. I had some problems repairing my computer by myself, but in the end I _____ do it without help.
could / was able to
3. The restaurant was full. I _____ find a seat anywhere.
couldn't / wasn't able to
4. You _____ told me it was Tina's birthday. I would have bought her a present.
might have / must have / would have
5. Do you think we _____ take photos inside the museum?
are allowed to / may
6. Don't call her now. She _____ have finished work yet.
might not / should not / would not
7. It _____ be easy for Linda. She lost her job last month.
can't / mustn't / shouldn't / wouldn't
8. Where is Lea now? – She _____ late. She has a important report to finish.
might be working / might work / must work / could work

9. I _____ remember to buy bread on the way home.

have to / must

10. I met Lady Gaga last night at the party. – You _____ be joking!

could / must / ought to / would

11. She's in hospital with a head injury. She _____ wearing her seatbelt!

can't have been / could be / must have been / would have been

12. I _____ buy a new car, this one keeps breaking down.

have to / must

13. How are things? – Not bad. They _____ worse!

could be / could have been / would be

14. The test starts at 9.30. You _____ be here until 9.15, but you can come earlier if you want.

mustn't / needn't

15. You _____ tell me what she said. I really want to know.

have to / must

16. Dad said that you _____ let me use your bike.

have to / must

17. Why were you late? You _____ be here at 20.00!

should / ought to / were supposed to

18. There was so much rain that I _____ see the road!

couldn't / wasn't able to

19. She was so drunk that I _____ understand what she was saying!

couldn't / wasn't able to

20. I _____ leave now, I have another important meeting.

have to / must

Correction exercise 1

1. mustn't

2. mustn't

3. don't have to

4. mustn't

5. doesn't have to

6. don't have to

7. don't have to

8. mustn't

9. mustn't

10. mustn't

11. doesn't have to

12. don't have to

13. mustn't

14. —

15. mustn't

16. don't have to

17. mustn't

18. mustn't

19. don't have to

20. doesn't have to

Correction exercise 2

- 1.might be able to
- 2.was able to
- 3.couldn't
- 4.might have
- 5.are allowed to
- 6.might not
- 7.can't
- 8.might be working
- 9.must
- 10.must
- 11.can't have been
- 12.must
- 13.could be
- 14.needn't
- 15.must
- 16.have to
- 17.were supposed to
- 18.couldn't
- 19.couldn't
- 20.have to