**MODAL VERBS**

**Rewriting 1**

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| **CLUES**   * It is impossible... = Negative deduction = Can’t * It is unnecessary... = There’s no necessity of = Needn’t / Don’t have to * Maybe... / It is possible... / Perhaps = Supposition = May / Might * I recommend... = Advise = Should * It is forbidden... = Prohibition = Mustn’t * I’m sure ... / Probably... = Logical deduction = Must * To expect someone... = Expectation on the past = Should have * It was a bad idea... / It was wrong ... = Regret something (not) done in the past= should / shouldn’t have |

A/ Rewrite using a Modal (Simple or Perfect):

1. It is impossible that my client killed the victim last June. He was in Honolulu then.
2. It is unnecessary to bring any food. She is going to prepare a great meal.

You ...

1. They haven’t left the classroom yet. Maybe the teacher has punished them.
2. It isn’t necessary for him to do this test. He has already passed this subject.
3. It is possible that Picasso had painted this picture.
4. Dad, if I had known you were coming back so soon, I would have had the possibility of cleaning the house.
5. It is impossible that they are twins: they are absolutely different.
6. If you want to keep fit, I recommend you to be on a diet.
7. Bringing food from outside is forbidden here.

You...

B/ Rewrite using a Modal Perfect:

1. Their plane probably crashed over the jungle.
2. There is no possibility that Mark was involved in the crime.
3. Maybe Janet invited him here tonight.
4. We expected him to pass his exams, but he didn’t.
5. It was a bad idea to ask him to do it.
6. It was wrong to stay out all night without phoning me.
7. I started working here in 1990, so in the year 2020 it’ll be thirty years.
8. She isn’t in the office. Perhaps she went home.
9. I’m sure she was quite angry when she said it.
10. Perhaps she learnt English as a child.