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Grammar in Context 3, Seventh Edition, Unit 6

Completion

Complete each statement.

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete each sentence with an active modal in the past. Use the correct form of the modal and the verb in parentheses.

Ex: I might have left (might / leave) my wallet at home.

1. We _____ (should / leave) sooner.
2. Pablo _____ (could / take) the 8:00 train.
3. They _____ (may / not eat) breakfast.
4. Larry _____ (must / be) too tired to go to the party.

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete each sentence with a passive modal in the past. Use the correct form of the modal and the verb in parentheses.

Ex: Lincoln probably could have been elected (could / elect) again, but he was assassinated.

5. They _____ (may / give) the money yesterday.
6. We _____ (should / inform) that school was canceled due to snow.
7. Martin _____ (may not / understand) at the conference.

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete each sentence to show a past direction that was not taken. Use *could have* and the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

Ex: I'm so tired. I could have gone (go) to bed earlier, but I didn't.

8. I had a great time at the party. I _____ (dance) all night.
9. Tim was so tired he _____ (fall) asleep on the spot.
10. I _____ (come) earlier if I had realized you needed me.
11. He _____ (go) fishing with his friends, but he had to stay home to work.

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INSTRUCTIONS: Complete each sentence to show a past necessity (*had to*) or a past conclusion (*must have*). Use the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

Ex: Linda won the lottery. She must have been (be) surprised.

12. Sam was late to class this morning. He _____ (forget) to set his alarm clock.
13. When the baby started crying, I _____ (feed) her.
14. Ben and Arnie couldn't come to the game because they _____ (study).
15. Karen _____ (be) exhausted after she finished running the marathon.

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete each sentence to show a past necessity (*had to*) or a past conclusion (*must have*). Use the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

Ex: Before social media, people had to get (get) their information from TV or newspapers.

16. When the candidate lost the election, he _____ (think) it was the end of his career.
17. During the debate on TV, Kennedy and Nixon _____ (answer) difficult questions.
18. It was the first presidential debate on TV, the candidates _____ (not feel) very comfortable.
19. When Obama became president, he _____ (move) to Washington, DC.

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete each sentence to show impossibility or disbelief. Use *couldn't have* and the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

Ex: Bob helped me. I couldn't have carried all these packages by myself.

20. It _____ (snow) on Monday. The weather was too warm.
21. We _____ (find) the answer without your help.
22. You _____ (buy) that dress at Harry's. They only have men's clothes.

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in each sentence with the past continuous form of the modal in parentheses.

Ex: His bodyguards should have been protecting (should / protect) him.

23. The candidate _____ (should / wear) a suit.

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24. The reporter _____ (could / wait) for an interview.
25. The candidate _____ (might not / tell) the truth.
26. The reporters _____ (must / wait) for hours.
27. The reporters _____ (should not / ask) personal questions.
28. The candidate _____ (may / rely) on social media too much.

Short Answer

INSTRUCTIONS: Unscramble the words to make sentences with an active or passive modal.

Ex: not / may / the report / been / understood / have
The report may not have been understood.

29. should / closed / the door / been / have
30. the lost dog / found / may / been / have
31. that landscape / painted / Renoir / couldn't / have
32. shouldn't / she / that much money / have / given / been

INSTRUCTIONS: Rewrite the sentences. Tell what the people *should have* or *shouldn't have* done.

Ex: He didn't call before he came over.
He should have called before he came over.

33. He didn't set the alarm clock.
34. She didn't walk the dog.
35. I ate the whole pizza.
36. We didn't study for the test.
37. She forgot her mother's birthday.

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INSTRUCTIONS: Rewrite the sentences. Tell what the people *should have* or *shouldn't have* done.

Ex: The farmers used slaves.
The farmers shouldn't have used slaves.

- 38. The president gave a short speech.
- 39. My friends didn't listen to the president's speech.
- 40. They didn't vote in the presidential election.
- 41. The president didn't win the election.
- 42. I didn't take American History in college.

INSTRUCTIONS: Rewrite the sentences. Use the modals in parentheses.

Ex: Maybe they didn't realize it was raining. (may)
They may not have realized it was raining.

- 43. Maybe they didn't have enough money. (may)
- 44. Maybe she wanted to sleep late. (might)
- 45. Maybe he saw the movie last week. (could)
- 46. Maybe the teacher didn't hear you. (might)
- 47. Maybe she left early. (could)
- 48. Maybe Frank was disappointed. (may)
- 49. Maybe it was Sara on the phone. (could)
- 50. Maybe he didn't see the red light. (might)

INSTRUCTIONS: Rewrite the sentences. Use *must have* or *must not have* + past participle.

Ex: They probably forgot their homework.
They must have forgotten their homework.

- 51. I guess she didn't hear the alarm clock.
- 52. They probably lived in England for several years.

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53. I'll bet she felt really stupid.
54. I guess we didn't read the directions carefully enough.
55. Ali probably decided to walk home instead of waiting for us.
56. I guess Rob didn't get my text.
57. Most likely the athletes who won were very strong.
58. I guess they missed the deadline.

INSTRUCTIONS: Unscramble the words to make correct sentences with *could*.

Ex: known / have / the media / couldn't / the outcome
The media couldn't have known the outcome.

59. voted / anyway / we / have / couldn't
60. more interesting / the media coverage / couldn't / been / have
61. the winner / been / couldn't / more surprised / have
62. won / the president / without our help / have / couldn't
63. this election / the world / changed / could / have

INSTRUCTIONS: Unscramble the words to make sentences with continuous forms of past modals.

Ex: might / he / have / sleeping / been
He might have been sleeping.

64. she / thinking / must / been / about you / have
65. must / driving / we / too fast / been / have
66. not / should / he / in the street / have / walking / been
67. on the phone / might / she / been / have / talking
68. hurrying / he / been / to class / have / may
69. may / he / have / studying / been / not

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Matching**INSTRUCTIONS:** Match each sentence with the correct explanation.

- a. It was possible for something to have happened, but it didn't.
- b. A past opportunity that was not taken
- c. A suggestion that was not followed
- d. An exaggeration of a result

- _____ 70. You could have studied harder for the test.
- _____ 71. She was so angry she could have slammed the door on his foot.
- _____ 72. That car could have hit you. You're lucky it didn't.
- _____ 73. He could have taken algebra or geometry, but he decided to take trigonometry.
- _____ 74. It could have rained all day yesterday, but luckily it stopped by 10:00 a.m.
- _____ 75. I was so thirsty I could have drunk a gallon of water.

INSTRUCTIONS: Match each sentence with the correct explanation.

- a. necessity or obligation in the past
- b. a conclusion or deduction in the past

- _____ 76. Since it was so rainy, they had to wear raincoats.
- _____ 77. She must have gone home because she got tired of waiting.
- _____ 78. They must have bought the compact car because it was so much cheaper.
- _____ 79. We had to borrow money because we didn't have enough.

INSTRUCTIONS: Match the underlined verb in each sentence with the correct explanation.

The sentence shows:

- a. ability or knowledge over a period of time.
- b. success in doing a single action.
- c. an action was possible, but didn't happen.
- d. something was impossible in the past.

- _____ 80. Nikko was able to buy a car by borrowing money from his sister.
- _____ 81. Your parents couldn't have met online. The Internet didn't exist yet!
- _____ 82. She was able to take a nap because she had finished all her work.
- _____ 83. The ball could have broken the window, but it didn't.
- _____ 84. Until he was 50 years old, Leo could run a mile in eight minutes.
- _____ 85. I could have studied more for the test, but it's too late now.

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Answer Section

COMPLETION

1. ANS: should have left

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.1

TOP: Modals in the Past—Form

2. ANS: could have taken

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.1

TOP: Modals in the Past—Form

3. ANS: may not have eaten

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.1

TOP: Modals in the Past—Form

4. ANS: must have been

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.1

TOP: Modals in the Past—Form

5. ANS: may have been given

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.1

TOP: Modals in the Past—Form

6. ANS: should have been informed

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.1

TOP: Modals in the Past—Form

7. ANS: may not have been understood

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.1

TOP: Modals in the Past—Form

8. ANS: could have danced

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.5
TOP: Past Direction Not Taken—Could Have

9. ANS: could have fallen

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.5
TOP: Past Direction Not Taken—Could Have

10. ANS: could have come

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.5
TOP: Past Direction Not Taken—Could Have

11. ANS: could have gone

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.5
TOP: Past Direction Not Taken—Could Have

12. ANS: must have forgotten

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form

13. ANS: had to feed

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form

14. ANS: had to study

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form

15. ANS: must have been

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form

16. ANS: must have thought

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form

17. ANS: had to answer

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form

18. ANS: must not have felt

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form

19. ANS: had to move

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form

20. ANS: couldn't have snowed

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7 TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past

21. ANS: couldn't have found

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7 TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past

22. ANS: couldn't have bought

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7 TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past

23. ANS:
should have been wearing
should've been wearing

PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms

24. ANS:
could have been waiting
could've been waiting
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms
25. ANS: might not have been telling
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms
26. ANS:
must have been waiting
must've been waiting
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms
27. ANS:
should not have been asking
shouldn't have been asking
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms
28. ANS: may have been relying
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms

SHORT ANSWER

29. ANS:
The door should have been closed.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.1 TOP: Modals in the Past—Form
30. ANS:
The lost dog may have been found.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.1 TOP: Modals in the Past—Form
31. ANS:
Renoir couldn't have painted that landscape.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.1 TOP: Modals in the Past—Form
32. ANS:
She shouldn't have been given that much money.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.1 TOP: Modals in the Past—Form

33. ANS:
He should have set the alarm clock.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.2
TOP: Past Regrets or Mistakes—Should Have
34. ANS:
She should have walked the dog.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.2
TOP: Past Regrets or Mistakes—Should Have
35. ANS:
I shouldn't have eaten the whole pizza.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.2
TOP: Past Regrets or Mistakes—Should Have
36. ANS:
We should have studied for the test.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.2
TOP: Past Regrets or Mistakes—Should Have
37. ANS:
She shouldn't have forgotten her mother's birthday.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.2
TOP: Past Regrets or Mistakes—Should Have
38. ANS:
The president shouldn't have given a short speech.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | TOP: Past Regrets or Mistakes—Should Have
39. ANS:
My friends should have listened to the president's speech.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | TOP: Past Regrets or Mistakes—Should Have
40. ANS:
They should have voted in the presidential election.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | TOP: Past Regrets or Mistakes—Should Have
41. ANS:
The president should have won the election.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.2
TOP: Past Regrets or Mistakes—Should Have
42. ANS:
I should have taken American History in college.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.2
TOP: Past Regrets or Mistakes—Should Have

43. ANS:
They may not have had enough money.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.3
TOP: Past Possibility—May/Might/Could + Have
44. ANS:
She might have wanted to sleep late.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.3
TOP: Past Possibility—May/Might/Could + Have
45. ANS:
He could have seen the movie last week.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.3
TOP: Past Possibility—May/Might/Could + Have
46. ANS:
The teacher might not have heard you.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.3
TOP: Past Possibility—May/Might/Could + Have
47. ANS:
She could have left early.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.3
TOP: Past Possibility—May/Might/Could + Have
48. ANS:
Frank may have been disappointed.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.3
TOP: Past Possibility—May/Might/Could + Have
49. ANS:
It could have been Sara on the phone.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.3
TOP: Past Possibility—May/Might/Could + Have
50. ANS:
He might not have seen the red light.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.3
TOP: Past Possibility—May/Might/Could + Have
51. ANS:
She must not have heard the alarm clock.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.4
TOP: Logical Conclusion about the Past—Must Have

52. ANS:
They must have lived in England for several years.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | TOP: Logical Conclusion about the Past—Must Have
53. ANS:
She must have felt really stupid.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.4
TOP: Logical Conclusion about the Past—Must Have
54. ANS:
We must not have read the directions carefully enough.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | TOP: Logical Conclusion about the Past—Must Have
55. ANS:
Ali must have decided to walk home instead of waiting for us.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.4
TOP: Logical Conclusion about the Past—Must Have
56. ANS:
Rob must not have gotten my text.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.4
TOP: Logical Conclusion about the Past—Must Have
57. ANS:
The athletes who won must have been very strong.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.4
TOP: Logical Conclusion about the Past—Must Have
58. ANS:
They must have missed the deadline.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.4
TOP: Logical Conclusion about the Past—Must Have
59. ANS:
We couldn't have voted anyway.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7 TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past
60. ANS:
The media coverage couldn't have been more interesting.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past
61. ANS:
The winner couldn't have been more surprised.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7 TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past

62. ANS:
The president couldn't have won without our help.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past
63. ANS:
This election could have changed the world.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7 TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past
64. ANS:
She must have been thinking about you.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms
65. ANS:
We must have been driving too fast.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms
66. ANS:
He should not have been walking in the street.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms
67. ANS:
She might have been talking on the phone.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms
68. ANS:
He may have been hurrying to class.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms
69. ANS:
He may not have been studying.
- PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.8
TOP: Modals in the Past: Continuous Forms

MATCHING

70. ANS: B PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.5
TOP: Past Direction Not Taken—Could Have
71. ANS: D PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.5
TOP: Past Direction Not Taken—Could Have
72. ANS: A PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.5
TOP: Past Direction Not Taken—Could Have

73. ANS: B PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.5
TOP: Past Direction Not Taken—Could Have
74. ANS: A PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.5
TOP: Past Direction Not Taken—Could Have
75. ANS: D PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.5
TOP: Past Direction Not Taken—Could Have
76. ANS: A PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form
77. ANS: B PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form
78. ANS: B PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form
79. ANS: A PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.6
TOP: Must Have + Past Participle vs. Had To + Base Form
80. ANS: B PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7
TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past
81. ANS: D PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7
TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past
82. ANS: B PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7
TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past
83. ANS: C PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7
TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past
84. ANS: A PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7
TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past
85. ANS: C PTS: 1 REF: Unit 6 | Chart 6.7
TOP: Ability and Possibility in the Past