

**A. Choose one of the following to complete the sentences.**

Must have - Might have - Should have - Can't have

1. John.....gone on holiday. I saw him this morning downtown.
2. Nobody answered the phone at the clinic. It.....closed early.
3. I.....revised more for my exams. I think I'll fail!
4. Sarah looks really pleased with herself. She.....passed her driving test this morning.
5. I didn't know you were going to Phil's party yesterday. You.....told me!
6. I can't believe Jim hasn't arrived yet. He.....caught the wrong train.
7. I can't believe Jim hasn't arrived yet. He.....caught the correct train.
8. Don't lie to me that you were ill yesterday. You.....been ill – Don said you were at the ice hockey match last night.
9. I don't know where they went on holiday but they bought Euros before they left so they .....gone to France or Germany.
10. His number was busy all night – he.....been on the phone continuously for hours.

**B. Complete the sentences using the verbs in brackets with a past modal verb form.**

Old Mr McGraw had been murdered and everybody was wondering who (1) ..... (do) it. Two police officers were speculating about the murder.

SEBASTIAN: It (2) ..... (be) Mrs McGraw. I'm totally convinced it was her. She absolutely hated him. She (3) ..... (use) a kitchen knife as the murder weapon, or maybe an axe from the garden tools.

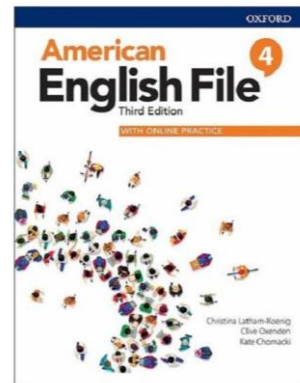
JESSICA: It (4) ..... (be) Mrs McGraw. She isn't strong enough to drag the body and put it in the car boot. It (5) ..... (be) their older son; I would bet all my money it was him. He had motive, because Mr McGraw had disinherited him long ago, and everybody knew they hated each other.

SEBASTIAN: Impossible. It (6) ..... (be) their older son because he has a plausible alibi. He was fishing with his brother at the time of the crime, he testified.

JESSICA: Then the younger son (7) ..... (lie) to protect his brother. They (8) ..... (agree) on an alibi after the murder. If you think about it, they (9) ..... (plan) the murder together. It's a reasonable possibility. Maybe the younger son was afraid that his father would disinherit him too; they had a difficult relationship.

SEBASTIAN: That makes sense. They killed him so that at least one of them could get the inheritance.

JESSICA: Well, if they wanted to get the money from the inheritance, they (10) ..... (kill) their father. Because now we'll catch them and they will be in prison and without a penny.



**A. Rewrite the sentences using the words in brackets.**

1. I think the milk is off. It has a terrible taste. (tastes)  
I think the milk is off. It .....
2. Apparently, they escaped using help from the outside. (seem)  
They..... using help from the outside.
3. According to a witness, a man was screaming and asking for help. (heard)  
A witness..... for help.
4. They seem to be doing something about the conflict. (as if)  
It..... something about the conflict.
5. There must be some cheese in the soup because the smell of cheese is evident. (smells)  
There must be some cheese in the soup because it really..... cheese.
6. We thought it was a good idea at the time. (seemed)  
It..... a good idea at the time.
7. The player is so big that it seems that he is a man playing with little boys. (though)  
The player is so big that he looks..... playing with little boys.
8. According to someone, the judge accepted money from a defendant. (saw)  
Someone..... money from a defendant.
9. The mattress is a bit too soft for my liking. (feels)  
The matters..... for my liking.
10. Apparently, she has lost interest for him. (seems)  
She..... interest for him.

**B. For each dialogue, fill in the gaps with the verbs in brackets and any necessary extra words.**

**Dialogue 1 (taste)**

A: Please, try this cheese. It's delicious. It 1..... good cured cheese.

B: Yes, this cheese 2..... it's been cured for years.

**Dialogue 2 (sound)**

A: Your voice 3 ..... very rough. You 4..... you were partying until very late last night.

B: No, I wasn't. I think I 5..... quite normal.

**Dialogue 3 (smell)**

A: This room 6..... horrible.

B: Yes, it 7..... nobody has opened the windows in years.

**Dialogue 4 (feel)**

A: This pillow 8 ..... very hard.

B: Yes, it 9..... a rock. It 10 your head was on a block marble.

