A2 B1 LEVEL GRAMMAR TESTS

Modal Verbs Test B1 Grammar Exercises

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1. You _____ join the meeting on Friday, but you _____ if you like.
A) shouldn't / were able to
B) mustn't / needn't
C) can't / shouldn't
D) needn't / can

2. _____ you read this text for me so that I _____ type it quickly?
A) May / can **B)** Could / can
C) Will / should **D)** Can / must

3. I'm sure you _____ why I wasn't in the office yesterday. Well, I _____ a day off.
A) must be wondering / had to take
B) don't have to wonder / could take
C) needn't wonder / must take
D) ought to wonder / may have taken

4. One of us _____ here because there _____ an urgent call.
A) must wait / should have been
B) ought to wait / may have been
C) needn't wait / must be
D) had better wait / might be

5. We _____ all the major points now because we _____ again until next Sunday.
A) can't discuss / can't have been meeting
B) must be discussing / didn't have to meet
C) should discuss / won't be able to meet
D) don't need to discuss / shouldn't meet

6. _____ we eat out tonight for a change? It _____ an expensive place.
A) How about / couldn't have been
B) Shall / needn't be
C) Why don't / can't have been
D) What about / may not be

7. _____ you please answer that call? I _____ care of the baby.
A) Will / have to take
B) Could / needn't take
C) Shall / must take
D) May / should be taking

8. Randall thinks he _____ the promotion, but he _____ it yet.
A) must get / doesn't need to get
B) can get / didn't have to get
C) should get / hasn't been able to get
D) ought to be getting / couldn't get

9. When _____ I wake you up? You _____ up early tomorrow morning, don't you?
A) should / may get **B)** can / had to get
C) shall / need to get **D)** must / can get

10. She _____ well when she first got her driving licence, but she _____ it by now.
A) couldn't drive / must have learnt
B) didn't have to drive / will be able to learn
C) isn't able to drive / must learn
D) wasn't able to drive / shouldn't have learnt

11. You _____ me with my shoelaces, Mum. I _____ them by myself.
A) mustn't be helping / could have tied
B) couldn't help / may tie
C) can't help / may have been able to tie
D) don't need to help / can tie

12. They _____ here by now; I wonder why they haven't yet.
A) should have arrived **B)** can arrive
C) may have arrived **D)** must be arriving

13. The groom _____ the bride before the wedding ceremony because it _____ bad luck.
A) couldn't see / should have brought
B) wasn't able to see / can bring
C) is not allowed to see / may bring
D) mustn't see / had to bring

14. _____ inviting some friends over for dinner next Saturday?
A) Let's **B)** What about
C) Why don't we **D)** Shall we

15. The children _____ in the garden because it's raining, so they _____ somewhere else.
A) mustn't be playing / can't be
B) may be playing / might be
C) must have played / should be
D) can't be playing / must be

16. _____ I talk to the manager in person, please? I _____ him something very important.
A) Will / have to tell
B) Should / am able to tell
C) Might / must tell
D) Can / may have told

17. I think we _____ very early tomorrow; or else, we _____ our flight.
A) will have to leave / may miss
B) must be leaving / should miss
C) can leave / ought to miss
D) must leave / might have missed

18. When _____ to go to work after the operation?
A) must I **B)** need I
C) will I be able **D)** should I

19. _____ close the windows, please? I've started to feel cold.
A) Will I **B)** Would you
C) How about **D)** Must you

20. He _____ properly for the past two weeks because of the injury in his leg.
A) hasn't been able to walk
B) couldn't walk
C) had better not walk
D) won't have to walk

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