ENGLISH GRAMMAR TESTS

Modals (Intermediate / Upper-Intermediate) Test 1

20 questions · Choose the correct answer. Online test and answer key with explanations:
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1. His illness got worse and worse. In the end he _____ go into hospital for an operation.
A) will have to **B)** must
C) had to **D)** ought to have

2. You _____ any more aspirins; you've had four already.
A) mustn't take
B) needn't have taken
C) shouldn't have taken
D) had better not to take

3. I've searched everywhere for Bob but I _____ to find him.
A) wasn't able **B)** am not able
C) haven't been able **D)** couldn't

4. A: The window is broken and there's a football on the kitchen floor.

B: It _____ broken by the children next door.
A) had to be **B)** ought to have been
C) should have **D)** must have been

5. You _____ punished her. She didn't deserve it.
A) shouldn't have **B)** needn't have
C) mustn't have **D)** couldn't have

6. A: I wonder who took my alarm clock.

B: It _____ Julia. She _____ supposed to get up early.
A) might be / is
B) could be / is
C) had to be / was
D) must have been / was

7. In a hundred years' time we _____ out of water to drink.
A) must have run **B)** might have been run
C) had run **D)** may have run

8. If you'd explained your problem to me, I _____ to help you.
A) was able
B) will have been able
C) would have been able
D) could have

9. Joe ran all the way. It wasn't necessary. Joe _____ run all the way.
A) needn't have **B)** need have
C) mustn't have **D)** doesn't need to

10. Tom was serious when he said he wanted to be an actor when he grew up. We _____ at him. We hurt his feelings.
A) shouldn't have laughed
B) needn't have laughed
C) mustn't have laughed
D) shouldn't have been laughed

11. He _____ hungry. He isn't eating his food.
A) should be **B)** needn't have been
C) might not have been **D)** must be

12. All the lights in Terry's room are turned off. He _____ sleeping.
A) must have been **B)** had to be
C) must be **D)** must not be

13. Let's go to the seminar. It _____ interesting.
A) used to be **B)** is supposed to be
C) must have been **D)** needs to be

14. Children _____ taught to respect their elders.
A) should be **B)** had better
C) has to be **D)** must have

15. This application _____ last week.
A) should be sent
B) must have been
C) ought to have been sent
D) should have sent

16. We can't wait any longer! Something _____ immediately.
A) should have been done
B) had to be done
C) ought to do
D) must be done

17. A: I overslept this morning.

B: You _____ your alarm clock.
A) had better set **B)** had to set
C) should have set **D)** ought to have been

18. Rice _____ have water in order to grow.
A) must **B)** should
C) had better **D)** ought to

19. I _____ to go now. I have a class in ten minutes.
A) had better **B)** have got
C) must **D)** should

20. “Doctors are supposed to help sick people” means: _____.

A) They help sick people.
B) They should help sick people.
C) They must be helping sick people.
D) They might have helped sick people.

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