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Exercise

Choose the right answer to express the idea indicated in brackets:

1 - She said that it _____ be true. (possibilité)

- should*
- would*
- might*
- must*

2 - We _____ our own luggage. (nécessité)

- could have carried*
- must have carried*
- should have carried*
- had to carry*

3 - You _____ leave your bike here, that's not a problem. (permission)

- can*
- will*
- could*
- might*

4 - I _____ answer all the questions. (capacité)

- could*
- was able to*
- should*
- might*

5 - You _____ talk so loudly, we can hear you ! (pas de nécessité)

- don't have to*
- can't*
- are not to*
- mustn't*

6 - You _____ be late for school. (interdiction)

- could not*
- must not*
- should not*
- don't have to*

7 - Your son _____ be quite tall by now. (probabilité)

- might*
- must*
- would*
- could*

8 - You _____ be serious. (impossibilité)

- mustn't*
- can't*
- shouldn't*
- wouldn't*

9 - You _____ pay more attention to what you say. (donner un conseil)

- are to*
- need to*
- should*
- could*

10 - _____ watching my bag for a few minutes? (demande très polie)

- Can you*
- Would you*
- Would you mind*
- Could you*

ANSWERS

1. She said that it **might** be true.
2. We **had to** carry our own luggage.
3. You **can** leave your bike here, that's not a problem.
4. I **was able to** answer all the questions.
5. You **don't have to** talk so loudly, we can hear you !
6. You **must not** be late for school.
7. Your son **must** be quite tall by now.
8. You **can't** be serious.
9. You **should** pay more attention to what you say.
10. **Would you mind** watching my bag for a few minutes?