

## TRANSFORMATIONS: MODAL VERBS - SOLUTIONS

- 1, We have bought more food than was necessary for the party. We needn't have bought so much food
- 2, Perhaps they rented the flat. They may have rented the flat\_
- 3, I don't think the Rogers have been living here long. The Rogers might not/can't have been living ..
- 4, It's prohibited to take dogs into the restaurant. You can't/mustn't take dogs\_\_\_\_\_
- 5, It wasn't necessary for Jim to accept the offer. Jim didn't need to/ have to .....
- 6, It isn't necessary to dust the furniture. I'll do it later. You needn't dust .....
- 7, Perhaps they had left before you called. They may/might/could have left before.....
8. I'm sure Alan wasn't driving carelessly. Alan can't have been driving.....
- 9, I'm sure she is considering your offer. She must be considering your offer.
- 10, It isn't necessary to cut the grass. It's still quite short. You needn't cut .....
- 11, Why don't you go to Canada for a holiday? You should/ could for a holiday.
- 14, It would be a good idea to change your hairstyle. You 'd better change your.....
- 15, Why didn't anybody warn me about the strike? You should have warned me about the strike.
- 19, I'm sure he didn't send you this letter. He can't have sent you this letter
- 20, I'm sure he is seeing Ruth. He must be seeing\_\_\_\_\_
21. It's forbidden to take pictures. You can't/ mustn't take\_\_\_\_\_
22. I'm sure John locked the office before leaving. He always does. John must have locked \_\_\_\_\_
23. If I were you, I'd tell him the truth. You should/ought to tell him\_\_\_\_\_
24. It was a mistake to sell the house .I shouldn't/oughtn't to have sold the house.\_\_\_\_\_
25. It's forbidden to take pictures. You can't /mustn't take\_\_\_\_\_
26. It isn't necessary for her to phone me back. She needn't phone\_\_\_\_\_
27. My brother doesn't know how to ride a bike. My brother can't ride a bike\_\_\_\_\_
28. She was able to read when she was two. She could read\_\_\_\_\_
29. It wasn't necessary for them to buy a new car and they didn't buy it. They didn't need to buy\_\_\_\_\_
- 30 . It wasn't necessary for them to buy a new car but they bought one. They needn't have bought\_
31. .Eating chewing-gum in the class in prohibited. Students can't chew gum in class.
32. I advise you to see a dentist. You should see\_\_\_\_\_
33. You aren't allowed to talk during the exam. You can't/mustn't\_\_\_\_\_
34. Tom knows how to speak Spanish. Tom can speak\_\_\_\_\_
35. He had permission to go to the party. He could go \_\_\_\_\_
36. It isn't possible that that is our plane. That can't be our plane\_\_\_\_\_
37. It was wrong of Mary to tell Steve about us. Mary shouldn't have told\_\_\_\_\_
38. It's possible that they went to the cinema. They may/might/could have gone\_\_\_\_\_
39. I am certain you haven't seen John because he is on a trip. You can't have seen-\_\_\_\_\_
40. There was an obligation to turn off the mobile phone. We had to turn off\_\_\_\_\_
41. I didn't have the ability to cook when I was younger. I couldn't cook\_\_\_\_\_