

9N – Preview Answers

Matching

Match the words in Column A with the words in Column B to make sentences.

Column A

1. If temperatures keep rising at this rate,
2. If we look at the teeth on this fossil,
3. If you save \$200 a month,
4. It could be that global warming
5. Isn't it possible that
6. If the new Prime Minister increases taxes,
7. I could be that the dinosaurs
8. He could have hidden the murder weapon

Column B

- a. his popularity will plummet.
- b. the company's profits will increase?
- c. died off after an asteroid impact.
- d. by burying it underground.
- e. is being caused by changes in the sun.
- f. you'll have \$24,000 in ten years plus interest.
- g. then sea levels will also continue to rise.
- h. then we can assume it was a herbivore.

You choose

Fill in each blank with one of the words below in the correct form.

must *should* *could* *might* *would*

1. The cake is all gone! Someone *must have* eaten it.
2. What was that noise? It *must/could/might have* been a train
3. Sarah looks sad. Something *must have* happened with her and her boyfriend.
4. That soldier received a lot of medals. He *must have* been very brave.
5. My computer shut down suddenly. The battery *must have* run out.
6. We went hiking without a map. We *could/might have* gotten lost.
7. I didn't know you moved house. If I'd known I *would/could have* helped you.
8. Michael *couldn't have* finished his homework so fast. He was only in his room for 20 minutes.
9. I don't have any money left. I *shouldn't have* spent so much in town last week.
10. That job *must not have* been very good. He was always complaining about it to us.

What do you think? *Answers will vary*

Imagine the following things happened to you. Think of reasons why they might have happened.

1. You come home and your front door is wide open.
I might have left it slightly open, and the wind must've blown it further open. Or a thief might have robbed the house and left it open.
2. Your phone bill is over \$10,000.
My teenage child must have talked on the phone for hours and hours.
3. You see a penguin walking down the street.
The bird must have escaped from the zoo.
4. Your alarm clock doesn't go off on time.
I might have forgotten to set it last night, or it might have malfunctioned.
5. The lights suddenly go out.
The power must have gone out.
6. The Prime Minister suddenly resigns.
There must have been some scandal. He might have been caught taking bribes.