

Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

1 Circle the correct words.

- The dogs haven't been fed yet. They *must* / *can't* be hungry.
- We *must* / *may* go back to Spain on holiday – I'm not sure.
- My room *could* / *can't* be in a mess – I tidied it this morning!
- Don't phone Dan yet – he *might* / *can't* still be in bed.
- You should buy a ticket – you *must* / *could* win a prize!

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2 Rewrite the sentences. Use *must*, *can't*, *could*, or *might*.

- It's possible that she's in the shower.
She _____
- Greta is in Italy – it's the only explanation.
Greta _____
- You can't be serious!
You _____ joking!
- Perhaps it will snow tomorrow.
It _____
- Maybe I'll try to find a part-time job.
I _____

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3 Match the sentences.

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| 1 I crashed into a tree. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 I wasn't expecting you to visit. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 I didn't get the part-time job. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 I feel ill. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 There was nowhere to sit in the restaurant. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- You shouldn't have eaten so much chocolate.
 - I'm sorry. We should have called you first.
 - You should have booked a table.
 - You shouldn't have worn jeans and trainers to the interview.
 - You should have looked where you were going.

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4 Circle the correct words.

- You *might* / *can't* / *must* have seen Vanessa yesterday because she's in hospital.
- You *could* / *can't* / *must* have heard of Harry Potter – he's really famous!
- It was such a dangerous trick – he *might* / *couldn't* / *must* have been killed.
- The weather *may* / *can't* / *must* have been hot this summer because there's no water in the lake.
- Simon *may* / *can't* / *must* have known our secret because I didn't tell anybody.

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5 Rewrite the sentences with the verb in brackets.

- I'm sure I've met this person somewhere before. (must)
I _____
- It's possible that you made the wrong decision. (might)
You _____
- It isn't possible that you saw an alien last night. (can't)
You _____
- Perhaps somebody tried to call you when you were out. (may)
Somebody _____
- There's no way he built that computer without help. (couldn't)
He _____

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6 Find and correct the mistakes in each sentence.

- I'm sorry – I shouldn't shouted at you.

- You must to be exhausted after that race.

- You can't have forgot how to speak Spanish already.

- She may be wait for us at the station.

- You shouldn't to have drunk so much coffee.

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TOTAL SCORE 50

SKILLS TEST 9

Extension

READING

1 Read the article quickly. Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box. You can use each phrase more than once.

definitely definitely not possible that

Amanda thinks it is

- _____ farmers who make crop circles.
- _____ farmers are making money from crop circles.
- _____ aliens that are making crop circles.

Kara says that

- _____ farmers making the crop circles.
- _____ animals making the crop circles.
- _____ aliens are making crop circles.

Lisa believes that

- _____ one person or thing that has made all the crop circles.
- _____ there is some special energy under the ground.

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2 Read the article again. Answer the questions with one word or number in each gap.

- When did people first realise that crop circles existed? In _____.
- When does Amanda think that farmers could make the crop circles? In _____.
- What happens to a farm if crop circles appear? It _____.
- How does Kara think farmers feel when crop circles appear on their land? _____.
- What does Kara think aliens may be trying to do by making the crop circles? To _____ with us.
- Why does Lisa think that people might have made some crop circles? For a _____.
- What kind of energy does Lisa think may be under the ground? _____.

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Crop circles: who makes them and why?

Crop circles – mysterious patterns which appear in fields each summer – have been puzzling people since the 1600s. After the 1970s, more and more of these odd circles were reported in the English countryside. But, so far, they remain unexplained. Who, or what, is causing them? Do they have a natural cause? Or do people make them? Are they a message? If so, what are they trying to say to us?

AMANDA – TWO DAYS AGO

It must have been the farmers making them all this time. I think some of them might be bored, and they go down to their fields in the middle of the night and make all these circles. It goes without saying that they get a lot of attention from the TV and newspapers, and then their farms become famous. And I'd go one step further. A lot of them may be getting a lot of extra money from tourists in the summer! It can't be aliens. What a ridiculous idea! If aliens exist, then there are better ways to communicate with us than leaving circles in a field in the middle of the countryside!

KARA – YESTERDAY

Amanda shouldn't have said it was farmers. These crop circles have been appearing for centuries. Why would farmers damage their own crops? They must be really angry when they find out that their crops have been destroyed. And it can't be animals making them, or storms. The circles are too complicated, and there are too many of them. I think it could be aliens. They might have a completely different language to us, and we need to try and work out what they're saying.

LISA – FOUR HOURS AGO

There have been thousands of crop circles for centuries, and yes, they are mysterious. They can't all have been created by the same thing. Some of them might have been caused by animals, or the weather. Some of them could have been made by people – maybe students or farmers – wanting to play a joke on the rest of us. I think there could be another reason, which we don't know about yet. For example, there might be some kind of energy under the ground – like a magnetic energy – in special places. This could be causing the plants to move or bend, and that creates the circles.