Modal Auxiliary Verbs Exercise

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate modal auxiliary verb.

1. I go there yesterday.

can't

couldn't

wouldn't

2. She get the first prize. (weak possibility)

should

would

might

3. She spend hours reading or writing. (past habit)

would

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should

could

4. When we were children, weoften go hiking. (past habit)

could

would

will

5. We started early so that we get stuck in the traffic.

may not

might not

will not

6. You wait for me.

need not

ought not

don't need

7. We get that roof fixed before the rains.

Please select 2 correct answers

should

ought to

would

8. She said that she	be
able to come.	

couldn't

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wouldn't won't

9. I never forget that experience.

will

would

must

10. We depend on them. (inability)

can't	
won't	
must not	

11. You have told me you weren't coming.

will
can
could

Answers

I couldn't go there yesterday.

She might get the first prize.

She would spend hours reading or writing.

When we were children, we would often go hiking.

We started early so that we might not get stuck in the traffic.

You need not wait for me.

We should / ought to get that roof fixed before the rains.

She said that she wouldn't be able to come.

I will never forget that experience.

We can't depend on them.

You could have told me you weren't coming.