

1 Complete the sentences with the correct modal.

- 1 That ... be Jenni's bag. It's got her name inside.
A must B can't C could
- 2 That ... be a ghost. They don't exist.
A might B can't C must
- 3 We think Joe ... be on holiday because he hasn't answered any texts or emails.
A can't B couldn't C may
- 4 That ... be Sam because he'd never wear a jacket like that!
A may B could C can't
- 5 Scientists think the Abominable Snowman ... exist but they are still looking for proof.
A might B can't C must

2 Rewrite the sentences using the correct modal verb in brackets.

- 1 It's impossible that that house is haunted. (can't / must)

- 2 We're sure he supports Arsenal. (must / may)

- 3 It's possible that dinosaurs still exist. (might / can't)

- 4 We're certain that Alex is worried about going abroad on his own. (might / must)

- 5 It's possible the creature on the beach is a shark. (couldn't / might)

- 6 That definitely isn't Olivia ringing me. Her phone's broken. (must / can't)

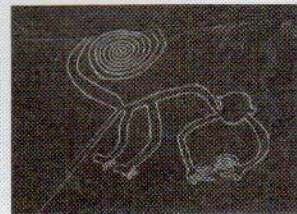
3 Complete the online chat with an appropriate modal verb. Sometimes more than one is possible.

- *Gregg007:*
Hey, Theo! You ¹ _____ be so happy about passing your driving test!
- *Theo123:*
Happy? I'm ecstatic! BTW, what's up with Harry? I think he ² _____ be angry with me, but I'm not sure.
- *Gregg007:*
I don't know. It definitely ³ _____ be about Carly because we sorted that all out with him.
- *Theo123:*
True. You don't think it ⁴ _____ be because we didn't invite him to watch the match at mine last Sunday, do you?
- *Gregg007:*
Oh, maybe. I guess we'd better make contact.

4 Read the text. Then correct the sentences with an appropriate modal verb. Sometimes more than one modal verb is possible.

The Nazca lines

The Nazca lines in Peru are one of the world's great mysteries but in order to see the lines, you have to be in the air. New research has revealed that it is possible that the lines form part of an ancient labyrinth. Other experts are considering the possibility that the lines are a secret message to the gods, while some UFO fanatics think there is a real possibility that aliens are responsible for them.



However, whatever their origins, the future of the Nazca lines is a real concern for conservationists as the number of tourists grows each year.

- 1 The lines can be seen from the ground.

- 2 The lines can't form part of an ancient labyrinth.

- 3 Some experts think the lines are definitely a secret message to the gods.

- 4 UFO fanatics think that aliens aren't responsible for the lines.

- 5 Tourists don't damage the Nazca lines.

5 Look at the photo. Write sentences using *may*, *might*, *could*, *can't*, *couldn't* and *must* to speculate about what you think is happening.

I think she _____

6 Complete the sentences so they are true for you.

- 1 My best friend might _____
- 2 I can't _____ because _____
- 3 I believe there must be _____ because _____