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| Modals: Perfective Modals | |
| **FORM:** | **MODAL VERB + HAVE + PAST PARTICIPLE** – it is used to talk about something in the past and lets you apply the modals to past situations. |
|  | MODAL USES EXAMPLES  MAY HAVE less than 50% certainty They may have been at the seminar.  MIGHT HAVE less than 50% certainty He might have been to the cinema.  SHOULD HAVE advisability I should have stayed home when I was  sick, but I didn’t.  expectation She should have done well at the  recital. She rehearsed a lot.    OUGHT TO HAVE advisability I ought to have gotten the car checked,  but I didn’t.  expectation She ought to have won the talent  competition.  MUST HAVE deduction Jenny must have been worried.  COULD HAVE possibility He could have gone home.  CAN’T HAVE negative deduction She can’t have passed the exam. She  didn’t study.  COULDN’T HAVE negative deduction She couldn’t have passed the exam.  She didn’t study.  WOULD HAVE condition I would have complained if I had been  there.  WILL HAVE speculation Don’t bother phoning her home phone  number. She will have left already. |
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*Complete the following using PERFECTIVE MODALS.*

1. That was a bad decision she made. I (do) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ things differently.
2. If you had asked me, I (go) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. I don’t like chocolate. I (not - take) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_it.
4. There’s no one in the office. They (go) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ out for lunch.
5. She called me first thing this morning. She (know) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that I wanted to talk to her.
6. When you went to Paris you (see) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it. It’s a great big tower, made of metal bars, near the Trocadéro.
7. Oh, you went to New Brunswick and you didn’t eat lobster. You (try) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it!
8. You (think) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about bringing your umbrella when you went to London.
9. Joanne just had her house renovated. You (speak) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to her before you hired a contractor.
10. Pete knows about the surprise party! Christine (tell) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_him.

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| Complete the following sentences using PERFECTIVE MODAL forms. |

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| 1. | He didn’t return my book; he . |
| 2. | Tony’s umbrella is missing; he . |
| 3. | Paula fell asleep in class this morning; she . |
| 4. | Nobody is home; they . |
| 5. | Helen seems to know a lot about Mexico; she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . |
| 6. | I can’t find my keys; I . |
| 7. | The money is missing; John . |
| 8. | This radio is very expensive; you . |