

Deduction

Must, may/might, can't

➤ When you are sure something is true: *must*

They **must** be out. There aren't any lights on.

She **must** have a lot of money. She drives a Porsche.

➤ When you something is possibly true: *may/might*

She is not at home. She **may** be working.

I think she **might** not like that skirt.

➤ When you are sure something is impossible: *can't*

He can't be ill. I saw him at the gym.

They can't be Italians. They speak to each other in Spanish.

- We often use *must*, *may/might* or *can't* to say how sure or certain we are about something (based on the information we have)
- In this context, the opposite of *must* is *can't* **NOT** ~~*mustn't*~~.

Complete the dialogues with *must*, *can't*, or *might*.

- 'Look, Rose left her bag here.'

'It _____ be Rose's – her bag is black.'

- 'I passed my driving test!'

'Congratulations! You _____ be very happy.'

- 'Where's Richard?'

'I don't know. He _____ be in a meeting. Shall I look in his diary?'

- 'I've just run 20km. I'm training for a marathon.'

'Really? You _____ feel exhausted.'

- 'I thought you _____ like to borrow this book.'

'Oh great, thanks. I was thinking about buying it.'

- 'You're getting married? You _____ be serious!'

'You're right. I'm just joking.'

- 'Daisy and Martin are on holiday in Sicily this week.'

'They _____ be. I've just seen Daisy in town.'

- Do you know anyone who drives a Ferrari?

Yes, my nephew. I don't know his salary, but he earn a fortune!

- My daughter has failed all her exams again.

She be working very hard if she gets such bad grades

- They be very happy –they've just won the lottery.

- She be the new boss- she is too young!

- I don't know where Jim is. He be at the gym.

- The sauce is really spicy. It have chilli in it.

- He be over 70. He retired 10 years ago.

- He be at university. He is only 16.

- What music is this?

- I am not sure but it be Mozart.

- He be away. His car is outside his house.
- He be very shy. He never opens his mouth.
- He remember me. He hasn't seen me for ages.
- He be a footballer. He is not fit enough.
- I be a size 44! I am usually a 40 or 42.
- She is very young. She be more than 18.

Choose from the pairs of adjectives to complete the sentences.

embarrassed / embarrassing frightened / frightening tired / tiring

1- I'm too _____ to spend a night alone in this house.

2- My mobile rang in the middle of the film; it was so _____!

Everyone in the cinema looked at me.

3- I'm very _____; I spent all day sightseeing and shopping in London.

4- It rained every day on my holiday. I couldn't do anything and was really _____.

5- I fell over in the restaurant. I was so _____!

6- Studying for five hours a day is really _____.

7- It was really _____ when we saw the lion so close.

Read the article and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

Have you ever thought about changing your appearance? Most of us have complained about having a bad hair day or looking hideous in a photo. But experts say that becoming too obsessed about our appearance can be bad for our health. Psychologist Sue Johnston explains:

‘Of course it’s natural for people to want to change the way they look – have a new haircut, buy something nice to wear to a party or make a good first impression at an interview, and many women don’t like to be seen without their make-up.

But the real problems start when people feel that there’s something they can’t change that makes them feel unattractive. It may be sticking-out ears, an unusually-shaped nose, or perhaps they are overweight. In serious cases this small thing can often take over their lives completely, making them feel anxious about going out in public and making them depressed. In 2006 we did a Body Image Survey to learn more about how people gain confidence in themselves. Below are a few suggestions on how to feel good about yourself.

Think about your skills and talents. For example, focus on success at work, participating in sports, and friendships. Once you realize that you can achieve your goals and have a happy, full life, appearance will seem less important. If you do have negative feelings about your appearance, try to do something positive like buying some new clothes or taking up a new hobby.

Learn to accept that you are unique. There's no one else in the world like you and that makes you very special. Love the unusual things about yourself. If you hate your red hair because it's so different, then teach yourself to think about it as beautiful and exotic!

Forget about what you can't control. There's one simple rule: be realistic, work on improving what you can change, and don't spend time worrying about anything else.

Stop buying fashion magazines and comparing yourself to the models. This has a very negative effect. Remember – they don't look that good without a personal hairstylist, make-up artist and computer-generated photography!

Finally, if you still feel depressed about the way you look, consider getting professional advice.'

- 1 Everyone is becoming obsessed with how they look.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 2 If you want to make a good first impression, you must think a lot about your appearance.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 3 Many people change their looks by having plastic surgery.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 4 Some people who feel ugly worry about being seen in public.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 5 The survey was to find out how people have solved their confidence problems.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 6 Taking up a new sport can help you to lose weight.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 7 You shouldn't try new activities if you have negative feelings.
A True B False C Doesn't say

8 You should enjoy what makes you look different from others.

A True B False C Doesn't say

9 Everyone can look good with a personal hairstylist and make-up artist.

A True B False C Doesn't say

10 If you really feel bad, you should get help from an expert.

A True B False C Doesn't say