

Use of English B2.1: dedurre e ripensare il passato

Scheda 2 di 4 · What happened

LA REGOLA

Modale + have + participio guarda al passato. Must have deduce da prove forti; might/may/could have lascia una possibilità; can't/couldn't have esclude. Should have critica un'azione omessa e shouldn't have una compiuta. Needn't have indica che si è fatto qualcosa di inutile; didn't need to di norma indica che non lo si è fatto. Controlla i dati prima di scegliere la certezza.

Attenzione! — l'errore tipico. Non scrivere should of e non usare mustn't have per escludere un fatto passato.

1 Classifica A–F: l'azione è avvenuta oppure no? Usa tutto il contesto.

A. I needn't have cooked; they had eaten. · B. I didn't need to cook, so we went out. · C. We needn't have booked; seats were free. · D. We didn't need to book, so we just walked in. · E. She shouldn't have posted the draft; she did. · F. He should have replied, but he never did. · G. She didn't need to pay, so she kept her money. · H. They needn't have paid; the entry was free. · I. I should have saved the draft, but I did not. · J. We shouldn't have opened the box; we did.

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2 Classifica A–F a seconda che parlino del presente o valutino il passato.

A. She must be at home. · B. She must have been at home. · C. They might know the route. · D. They might have known the route. · E. You should call now. · F. You should have called yesterday. · G. We cannot leave yet. · H. We couldn't have left then.

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Ritaglia o piega questa pagina prima di consegnare la scheda.

- 1 done: A. I needn't have cooked; they had eaten., C. We needn't have booked; seats were free., E. She shouldn't have posted the draft; she did., H. They needn't have paid; the entry was free., J. We shouldn't have opened the box; we did. · not done: B. I didn't need to cook, so we went out., D. We didn't need to book, so we just walked in., F. He should have replied, but he never did., G. She didn't need to pay, so she kept her money., I. I should have saved the draft, but I did not.
- 2 present: A. She must be at home., C. They might know the route., E. You should call now., G. We cannot leave yet. · past: B. She must have been at home., D. They might have known the route., F. You should have called yesterday., H. We couldn't have left then.