

Unit 29

1 In this exercise you have to make sentences with **may** or **might**. The first four sentences are present.

Examples: 'Do you know if Jack is in his office?'

'I'm not sure. He **may** be in his office.'

'Do you know if Ann likes ice-cream?'

'I'm sure. She **might** like ice-cream.'

- 1 'Do you know are married?'
- 'I'm not sure. They
- 2 'Do you know if she wants to go?'
- 'I'm not sure.
- 3 'Do you know if he's telling the truth?'
- 'I'm
- 4 'Do you know if he has a car?'
- 'I

The next three sentences are past.

Examples: 'Do you know if he was serious?'

'I'm not sure. He **might** have been serious.'

'Do you know if they were looking?'

'I'm not sure. They **may** have been looking.'

- 5 'Do you know if she was ill?'
- 'I'm not sure. She
- 6 'Do you know if they were listening?'
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- 7 'Do you know if they were listening?'
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And now have to use **may not** or **might not**.

Example: 'Is Jack in his office?'

'I'm not sure. He **might not** be in this office.'

- 8 'Does she want to go?'
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- 9 'Is he telling the truth?'
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- 10 'Are they ready?'
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2 This time you have to write sentences to explain each situation. Use the words in brackets to make your sentences.

Example: I can't find George anywhere. I wonder where he is.

a) (he **might**/go/shopping) He **might** have gone shopping.

b) (he **could**/play/tennis) He **could** be playing tennis.

- 1 Look! Sue's going out. I wonder where she's going.
- a) (she **may**/go/to the theatre)
- b) (she **could**/go/to a party)
- 2 Why didn't Tom answer the doorbell? I'm sure he was in the house at the time.
- a) (he **may**/go/to bed early)
- b) (he **might not**/hear/the bell)
- c) (he **could**/be/in the bath)
- 3 How do you think the fire started?
- a) (someone **may**/drop/a cigarette)
- b) (it **could**/be/an electrical fault)
- 4 I wonder where Tom was going when you saw him.
- a) (he **might**/go/to work)
- b) (he **may**/go/shopping)
- 5 George didn't come to the party. I wonder why not.
- a) (he **might**/have/to go somewhere else)
- b) (he **may not**/know/about it)