

# Language Focus Unit 4

## Possibility and certainty

1 Complete the dialogues. Use the correct form of **must, may, could or can't** and the verbs in brackets.

- 1 A I think colour affects people's feelings and emotions the most.  
B You \_\_\_\_\_ (be) right, but I think noise will also affect their mood.
- 2 A Are you going to Millie's beach party at the weekend?  
B It depends. I \_\_\_\_\_ (bother) if you think it'll be boring.
- 3 A I feel very angry about the number of homeless people in this town.  
B I know. They \_\_\_\_\_ (hate) not having a place to sleep at night.
- 4 A The colour red is very relaxing.  
B You \_\_\_\_\_ (be) serious! Everyone knows that the colour red causes feelings of excitement.
- 5 A Why is Joseph annoyed with me?  
B I'm not sure, but it \_\_\_\_\_ (be) because you laughed at him when he fell over.

2 Rewrite the sentences using modal verbs of possibility and certainty.

- 1 Relaxation is definitely not bad for you.  
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- 2 Perhaps my brother won't embarrass me at my party.  
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- 3 There is a chance that Robert isn't coming this evening.  
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- 4 I'm sure lots of people are afraid of big spiders.  
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- 5 There is a possibility that animals feel sympathy.  
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## Ability, advice and obligation

3 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.

- 1 He didn't know how to swim when he was four.  
He \_\_\_\_\_ when he was four.
- 2 We can have our lesson at two o'clock.  
We \_\_\_\_\_ our lesson at two o'clock.
- 3 I'm not singing in the concert tonight. I've got a bad cold.  
I \_\_\_\_\_ to sing in the concert tonight. I've got a bad cold.
- 4 Do you know how to play the piano?  
\_\_\_\_\_ the piano?
- 5 Did she know how to speak French when she was five?  
\_\_\_\_\_ French when she was five?
- 6 It's possible that the doctor can see me later.  
The doctor \_\_\_\_\_ me later.

4 Complete the talk with one word in each gap.

Good afternoon. Welcome to Byron's School of Music. You don't (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to worry about being away from home because I'm sure that we'll all have a brilliant year.

So, after my talk, new students (2) \_\_\_\_\_ go to the main entrance to meet our returning students. It's a good idea to do this because they can show you your room and tell you some things about Byron's.

Now, students (3) \_\_\_\_\_ not leave the school at night for any reason. This is against the rules. It's also against the rules to miss any classes without a good reason. You (4) \_\_\_\_\_ to go to your classes. In addition, students (5) \_\_\_\_\_ take food or drinks into the libraries or the music practice rooms.

And last of all, we encourage respect at this school. Students (6) \_\_\_\_\_ try to be polite to teachers and other students at all times. This will help us have a great year. Thank you!