Modal Auxiliaries and Driving Carefully - Answers or Possible Answers

Choose from this list to complete each sentence.

could ought to will could have might have to would might have would have may have may must should had better should have must have

- 1. Talk about what the sentences mean.
- 2. Is there more than one way to complete each sentence?
- 3. Talk about how the meaning of a sentence changes when you choose to complete it another way.
- Do you most people are safe drivers? Talk about safe driving practices.
- What causes accidents? Talk about how to avoid an accident.
- How can we promote safe driving?
- 1. It is very difficult to see clearly when it is so foggy. The driver **should** be careful. He **should** drive carefully. He **should not** drive too fast. If it is not necessary to drive in these conditions, maybe you **should not**.
- 2. The driver **ought** to be careful because it is dangerous to drive when it is so foggy. Anyone driving in heavy fog **must** be careful if he doesn't want to have an accident. If you don't want to have an accident, you **must** be careful when you drive in heavy fog.
- 1. It is very foggy. The driver **could** get into an accident if he is not careful.
- 2. If the driver is not careful he **could** get into an accident.
- 3. It is dangerous to drive a car when it is so foggy. The driver **might** get into an accident if he is not careful. If he is not careful the driver **might** get into an accident.
- 4. You may get into an accident if you are not careful.
- 5. If he drives too fast, there is a very good chance that he **will** get into an accident because it is very difficult to see well in such foggy conditions. If he drives carefully, he probably **will not** get into an accident.
- 1. You can easily get into an accident if you are driving in heavy fog. If you drive in heavy fog, you had better be very careful.
- 2. You **could** easily get into an accident if you are driving in heavy fog. If you drive in heavy fog, you **had better** be very careful.
- 3. If you are driving in heavy fog you had better be careful or you will get into an accident.
- 4. He had better drive carefully. If he doesn't, he might get into an accident.
- 1. He was driving very fast. He could have had an accident driving in such heavy fog.
- 2. If the he gets into an accident, it will be because he was not careful enough.
- 3. He got into an accident. He **should have** been more careful.
- 4. He got into an accident. He must have been driving too fast. He knew he should have been more careful.
- 5. He got into an accident. If he had been more careful, he would not have gotten into an accident.
- 6. He got into an accident. If he had driven more carefully in the fog, he might not have had an accident.

- 1. If he had it to do over again, he would be more careful.
- 2. If he had another chance, he would not be so careless.
- 3. If he had been more careful while he was driving, he would not be in the hospital now.
- 1. She said to him, "If you are not careful, you will get into an accident."
- 2. I told you that you would get into an accident if you were not careful.
- 3. She told him that he could get into an accident if he was not careful.
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- 3. If he were more careful, he might have avoided having an accident.
- 4. If he had been more careful, he might have avoided having an accident.
- 5. If he were more careful, he might not have had an accident.
- 6. If had been more careful, he might not have had an accident.
- 7. If he were more careful, he would not have had an accident.
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- 3. If he had been more careful, he would not have had an accident.
- 4. Had he been more careful, he might have avoided having and accident.
- 5. Had he been more careful, he could have avoided getting into an accident.
- 6. Had he been more careful, he would have avoided getting into an accident.
- 1. I should have been more careful last night.
- 2. I wish I had driven more carefully in the fog.
- 3. He should have been more careful.
- 4. He wishes that he had been more careful while driving in the fog.
- 5. She knows he **should have** been more careful.
- 6. She wishes that he had listened to her when she told him that he should be careful driving in the fog.
- 7. They know he **should have** been more careful while he was driving in the fog that night.
- 8. They wish that he had been more careful when he was driving in the fog that night.