

Would, should, ought to or might + have + past participle Exercise

Check through the different uses.

TYPE	EXAMPLE	USE
1	I would have gone to that party	- <i>a decision made too late</i>
2	I should/ought to have asked her for her email	- <i>advice coming too late</i>
3	You might have enjoyed the concert	- <i>opinion, possibility but too late</i>

Look at the following phrases and write in which type you think they are. Then use one of the modal verbs in brackets to fill the gaps.

TYPE

- 1 ☐ If I had gone to the sales, I'm sure I something. (to buy)
- 2 ☐ Clare was very upset you didn't go to her birthday party. You (to go)
- 3 ☐ No one's answering the phone. They out. (to go)
- 4 ☐ The lights are out. They to sleep. (to go)
- 5 ☐ We Dave to the party if we had known he was in town. (to invite)
- 6 ☐ You at Samantha. She'll never forgive you. (to shout **NEGATIVE**)
- 7 ☐ I to have done some acting when I was younger. (to love)
- 8 ☐ You to the pub on Saturday. We had a great time. (to come)
- 9 ☐ She her mind. I'm not sure. (to change)
- 10 ☐ You so much money on CDs. You'll have problems getting to the end of the month now. (to spend **NEGATIVE**)
- 11 ☐ She told me she you if you had given her your address. (to email)
- 12 ☐ She's really shy. You her you liked her. (to tell)
- 13 ☐ She yes to a date. You never know. (to say)
- 14 ☐ You her weight. She was very upset. (to mention **NEGATIVE**)

Answers

- 1 / If I had gone to the sales, I'm sure I would have bought something.
- 2 ⚡ Clare was very upset you didn't go to her birthday party. You should/ought to have gone.
- 3 ⚡ No-one's answering the phone. They might have gone out.
- 4 ⚡ The lights are out. They might have gone to sleep.
- 5 / We would have invited Dave to the party if we had known he was in town.
- 6 ⚡ You shouldn't/oughtn't to have shouted at Samantha. She'll never forgive you.
- 7 / I would have loved to have done some acting when I was younger.
- 8 ⚡ You should/ought to have come to the pub on Saturday. We had a great time.
- 9 ⚡ She might have changed her mind. I'm not sure.
- 10 ⚡ You shouldn't/oughtn't to have spent so much money on CDs. You'll have problems getting to the end of the month now.
- 11 / She would have emailed you if you had given her your address.
- 12 ⚡ She's really shy. You should have told her you liked her.
- 13 ⚡ She might have said yes to a date. You never know.
- 14 ⚡ You shouldn't have mentioned her weight. She was very upset.