Modal Auxiliary Verbs Exercise

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate modal auxiliary verb.

1. I ................................ go there yesterday.
   
   can't
   
   couldn't
   
   wouldn't

2. She ................................. get the first prize. (weak possibility)
   
   should
   
   would
   
   might

3. She ................................. spend hours reading or writing. (past habit)
4. When we were children, we …………………………
   often go hiking. (past habit)

   could

5. We started early so that we ………………………… get stuck in the traffic.

   may not

   might not
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6. You ………………………….. wait for me.

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7. We ………………………….. get that roof fixed before the rains.

Please select 2 correct answers

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8. She said that she ……………………………. be able to come.

- couldn't
- wouldn't
- won't

9. I ……………………………… never forget that experience.

- will
- would
- must

10. We ………………………………. depend on them. (inability)

- can't
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won't

must not

11. You ................................ have told me you weren’t coming.

will

can

could

Answers

I couldn’t go there yesterday.
She might get the first prize.
She would spend hours reading or writing.
When we were children, we would often go hiking.
We started early so that we might not get stuck in the traffic.
You need not wait for me.
We should / ought to get that roof fixed before the rains.
She said that she wouldn’t be able to come.
I will never forget that experience.
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We can’t depend on them.
You could have told me you weren’t coming.