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Basics. Passive Voice with Modal Verbs

Medium | B1 | Intermediate | Modal verb | Negation | Participle | Verb | Passive voice | Word order

1. Complete the eccentric inventor's user manual for his new robot butler.

To avoid a messy explosion, the robot's battery _____ with coffee.

Select one.

A) should never be replaced
B) should never replace
C) should never been replaced
D) never should be replace

2. Help the rookie astronaut finish writing her notes on the space station's safety manual.

The airlock doors _____ completely before you remove your space helmet. Otherwise, you _____ into the vacuum of space, which ruins everyone's afternoon!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

A) must seal
B) must be seal
C) must be sealed

Blank 2

A) could suck
B) could be sucked
C) could be sucking

3. You are reading the care manual for your newly adopted alien fluffball. Select ALL the sentences that correctly use passive modal verbs.

Select all that apply.

A) The fluffball can be fed up to three times a day.
B) The creature might frightened by loud noises.
C) Its fur should be brushed gently with a soft toothbrush.
D) Water must be give only in small bowls.

4. Help the stressed head chef complete the kitchen's new rule board by selecting the correct options.

The secret sauce _____ in the fridge at all times. Please remember that the fancy gold-rimmed plates _____ in the dishwasher, or they will lose their sparkle!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

A) must keep
B) must be keeping
C) must be kept

Blank 2

A) should not wash
B) should not be washed
C) should not be wash

5. Help the quirky museum curator write the new visitor guidelines. Select ALL the rules that correctly use the passive voice with modal verbs.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** The dinosaur bones must not be touched by anyone.
- **B)** Flash photography cannot be used in the bat cave.
- **C)** The historical paintings should not touch by visitors.
- **D)** Food and drinks must left at the entrance.

6. Help the anxious museum curator finalize the security checklist for the new diamond exhibit by choosing the correct phrase for each blank.

The famous diamond _____ by anyone under any circumstances.
To ensure maximum safety, all security cameras _____ every hour before the doors open.
Finally, the emergency alarms _____ remotely if there's even the slightest hint of trouble.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** must not touch
- **B)** must not be touched
- **C)** must not been touched

Blank 2

- **A)** should check
- **B)** should be check
- **C)** should be checked

Blank 3

- **A)** can activate
- **B)** can be activating
- **C)** can be activated

7. Help the museum curator finish the warning sign for the new dinosaur exhibit.

The fragile T-Rex skeleton _____ by visitors under any circumstances!

Select one.

- **A)** must not touch
- **B)** must not be touched
- **C)** must not been touched
- **D)** must not to be touched

8. Complete the passive-aggressive notes left on the fridge by a frustrated roommate. Choose the correct verb phrase for each blank.

The mountain of dirty dishes in the sink _____ before the mold gains sentience and takes over the kitchen.
Furthermore, the overflowing trash _____ any longer!
Lastly, the monthly rent _____ by Friday, or we'll both be living in a tent.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** has to wash
- **B)** has to be washed
- **C)** have to be wash

Blank 2

- **A)** cannot ignore
- **B)** cannot be ignoring
- **C)** cannot be ignored

Blank 3

- **A)** must pay
- **B)** must been paid
- **C)** must be paid

9. Choose the correct phrase to complete the drama teacher's top-secret email.

The surprise ending of our school play _____ to anyone before opening night!

Select one.

- **A)** cannot reveal
- **B)** cannot being revealed
- **C)** cannot be reveal
- **D)** cannot be revealed

10. Help the eccentric wizard complete the shipping policies for his online magical potion shop by choosing the correct phrase for each gap.

All fragile potions _____ carefully in premium dragon-scale bubble wrap.
Please note that delivery _____ if the courier encounters a grumpy troll on the bridge.
Refunds _____ within thirty days, but only if the potion hasn't already turned you into a toad.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** will pack
- **B)** will packing
- **C)** will be packed

Blank 2

- **A)** might delay
- **B)** might been delayed
- **C)** might be delayed

Blank 3

- **A)** may request
- **B)** may be requested
- **C)** may requested

11. Complete the eccentric billionaire's final instructions to his heirs by choosing the correct verb forms.

My collection of haunted dolls _____ to a museum to fund your education. However, the giant solid gold statue of my cat _____ from the living room under any circumstances!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** may sell
- **B)** may be sell
- **C)** may be sold

Blank 2

- **A)** cannot move
- **B)** cannot be moved
- **C)** cannot be moving

12. Help the party planners keep everything a secret for their suspicious friend. Select ALL the statements that correctly complete their checklist using the passive voice with modals.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** The cake will be delivered to the back door.
- **B)** The balloons might be seen if we put them by the window.
- **C)** The invitations must be send out tonight.
- **D)** The music should kept at a low volume until she arrives.