TEST 26.1 (Modal Verbs)

### Open the brackets. Give the correct form of the infinitive after a modal verb. (MV) Mind the negative forms.

1. I (MV; to make) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a very distinguished career, but I certainly have done nothing to be ashamed of.

2. - This is Steve’s tape recorder, isn’t it? - It (MV; to be) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. He doesn’t have a tape recorder, at least not that I know of. It (MV; to belong) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Lucy or Linda.

3. We didn’t receive their telegram. It (MV; to get lost) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ?

4. Do you believe that such a problem (MV; to solve) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ so quickly?

5.- Did he promise to get in touch? - Oh, yes. He (MV; to call) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in two days’ time.

6. He (MV; to say) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ such a silly thing. It’s not like him.

7. I (MV; to call) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on him but I lost his address.

8. - I grew up in a small town. - It (MV; to be) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dull. - It wasn’t dull at all.

9. She (MV; to notice) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the mistake. It was obvious.

10. We (MV; to take) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a taxi. Their plane was delayed.

11. The performance (MV; to be) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ over. Many people are leaving the theatre.

12. The waiter (MV; to misunderstand) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the foreigner and brought him a wrong dish.

13. When I go to Vienna, I (MV; to stay) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with Tom but I’m not sure yet

14. We (MV; to speak) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in a whisper. The children were fast asleep.

15. We didn’t find them at home. They (MV; to go) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for a walk.

16. Don’t you see he needs encouragement. You (MV; to praise) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ him for it.

17. - Do you smell smoke? - I sure do. Something (MV; to bum) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

18. After all I’ve done to them they (MV; to be) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ more thankful.

19. - Did Ed mean what he said about Andy yesterday? - I don’t know. He (MV; to kid) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when he said that but who knows.

20. We (MV; to destroy) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ parts of the rainforest. It poses a grave threat to the future of the world.