

UNIT REVISION 18

25 Sottolinea l'alternativa corretta.

0 What's happening? I *could* / can / *may* smell something burning.

- 1 When he was younger he *can* / *could* / *was able to* play the guitar very well.
- 2 Luckily she *could* / *was able to* / *succeeded in* swim to the beach and she saved herself.
- 3 There's a big black cloud over the city. It *could* / *may* / *might* rain.
- 4 I think they *couldn't* / *might not have* / *won't be able* to come before tomorrow because they're very busy.
- 5 *Can* / *May* / *Might* I take your pen? I *can't* / *couldn't* / *am not able to* find mine.
- 6 Ken isn't in his office. He *could go* / *may have gone* / *was able to go* home.
- 7 Be careful with that knife! Oh dear! You *are likely to* / *are allowed to* / *might have cut* yourself!
- 8 At first she didn't want to listen to me but in the end I *could* / *might* / *was able to* explain everything.
- 9 I *was allowed* / *was likely* / *was able to* drive his car because he had a headache and he didn't want to drive.
- 10 Passengers *may not* / *can't* / *couldn't* cross the red line.

26 Correggi le seguenti frasi.

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- 1 "Laura left yesterday." "She can't leave. Her dog is in the garden and she always takes it with her.
- 2 James is only 3 years old. Can he really swim without water-wings?
- 3 Jim, might you give me some wine, please?
- 4 When I lived with my parents I wasn't allowed to watch TV in my bedroom.
- 5 Karen! How were you able to take my car without asking me?
- 6 If you had told me that you don't eat fish, I could cook some meat.
- 7 I would like to can go to Spain with my friends.
- 8 He can come to the gym even though he's very lazy and he doesn't like taking exercise.
- 9 Mark can be very intelligent, but he always thinks he is right.
- 10 Why did you buy these pink trousers? You might buy the black ones! They were far nicer.

27 Traduci le seguenti frasi.

1 Avresti potuto essere più gentile con lei. Lo sai che è molto permalosa (*touchy*). 2 "Brad, non trovo il formaggio. L'hai mangiato tu?" "Ehm..., potrebbe averlo mangiato il cane." "Non può averlo mangiato il cane! Il formaggio era dentro il frigo e il cane non sa aprirlo." 3 "Sei riuscito a finire di scrivere il tuo romanzo ieri?" "Sì, sono riuscito a concentrarmi (*concentrate*) e ho scritto le ultime 3 pagine." 4 È probabile che mio padre vada in montagna. Lui ama la montagna e di solito ci va in vacanza ad agosto. 5 Se pensi che in quel negozio non puoi trovare quello che stai cercando, potresti andare da qualche altra parte. 6 Sarà stata pure la ragazza più bella dell'università, ma a me non piaceva. 7 Non sapevo nuotare quando ero giovane, non so nuotare adesso e non saprò nuotare quando sarò anziana perché sono terrorizzata dell'acqua. 8 Dan potrebbe accettare il tuo invito, anche se è un ragazzo molto timido ed esce raramente. 9 "Mi scusi, posso aiutarla ad attraversare la strada?" "Sì, grazie. Ho sempre paura di attraversare la strada qui perché c'è molto traffico e tutti guidano molto velocemente!" 10 I passeggeri non possono slacciare (*unfasten*) le cinture di sicurezza (*safety belts*) mentre l'aereo decolla (*take off*) o atterra (*land*).