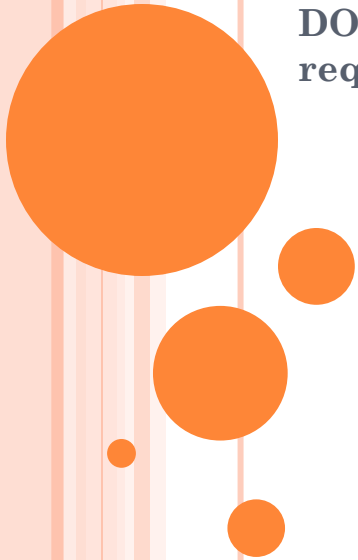


# OBLIGATIONS AND PROHIBITIONS

When we want to express permission, responsibilities, obligation or prohibition we use modal verbs .

**HAVE TO AND MUST** are used to express obligation.

**DON'T HAVE TO** is used to express that something is not required and **MUSTN'T** is used to express prohibition



# MUST

- **MUST and MUSTN'T are the same for all persons**
- **We use MUST when we think it is important to do an action or we give people orders.**
- **You MUST be home by eleven**
- **She MUST tidy up her room every day**



# MUST

- **We use *MUST* when the obligation comes from the speaker.**
- **I must go to the doctor, I don't feel well.**
- **I must have my homework ready tonight.**
- **I must stop smoking.**



## HAVE TO

- **We use HAVE TO when the obligation comes from someone else, not the speaker; for an action that is necessary because of rules.**
- **We HAVE TO be at the airport three hours before the flight leaves.**
- **At work I HAVE TO wear a uniform.**
- **My father HAS TO pay the rent every month.**



## **MUSTN'T**

- **MUSTN'T is used to say that something is against the rules or against the law,**
- **You MUSTN'T smoke at school.**
- **You MUSTN'T use your telephone on a plane**



## DON'T HAVE TO

- **DON'T HAVE TO** is used to show that there is no obligation.
- In this restaurant you **DON'T HAVE TO** wear a tie.
- My brother **DOESN'T HAVE TO** wear uniform at his school.
- We **DON'T HAVE TO** get up early on weekends.



## EXERCISES

- **Choose the correct modal verb to fill in the spaces in blank. Must- have to, don't have to, Mustn't**
- 1. You \_\_\_\_\_ come to the meeting, but it will be nice if you are there.  
(mustn't- don't have to)
- 2. You \_\_\_\_\_ start saving money if you want to retire in a few years.  
(must- have to)
- 3. We \_\_\_\_\_ to visit the doctor every year because the Social Security requires it. (must- have to)
- 4. I \_\_\_\_\_ call my dad every day. (must- have to)



## EXERCISES

- 5. My brother \_\_\_\_\_ wear a tie in his work, I do. (mustn't – doesn't have to)
- 6. You \_\_\_\_\_ eat healthier and stop smoking, you will feel better. (must-have to)
- 7. I \_\_\_\_\_ study tonight, my exam is tomorrow. (must- have to)
- 8. People \_\_\_\_\_ drink and drive cars. It is prohibited (mustn't - don't have to)





- 9. John can't come because he \_\_\_\_\_ work tomorrow. (must- has to)
- 10. We \_\_\_\_\_ speak when the teacher is speaking. (mustn't- don't have to)
- 11. I can hear you. You \_\_\_\_\_ shout. (must't - don't have to)
- 12. She has a big problem. We \_\_\_\_\_ help her. (must- have to)
- 13. You \_\_\_\_\_ sing a document without reading it first. (mustn't – don't have to)



## ANSWER KEY

- 1. **don't have to**
- 2. **must**
- 3. **have to**
- 4. **must**
- 5. **don't have to**
- 6. **must**
- 7. **must**
- 8. **mustn't**
- 9. **has to**
- 10. **mustn't**
- 11. **don't have to**
- 12. **must**
- 13. **mustn't**

