OBLIGATION AND PERMISSION IN THE PAST. EXERCISES.

A Choose the sentence (A, B or C) which means the same as the first sentence.

1 We have to pay the electricity bill before Friday.
A We can pay it if we want to.
B We must pay it.
C We've already paid it.

2 You don't need to buy me a birthday present.
A You must buy me a birthday present.
B It's not necessary to buy me a birthday present.
C You mustn't buy me a birthday present.

3 I have to do some work on my project this evening.
A I haven't got time to do the work.
B I've already done the work.
C I need to do the work.

4 Lenny didn't have to see the head teacher after all.
A It wasn't necessary for Lenny to see the head teacher.
B Lenny went to see the head teacher.
C Lenny is waiting to see the head teacher.

5 Students mustn't run in school buildings.
A They can run if they want to.
B Students don't like running.
C Running isn't allowed.

6 All passengers must fasten their seatbelts.
A They have to fasten their seatbelts now.
B They don't have to fasten their seatbelts.
C They can fasten their seatbelts.

7 Mr Reed had to go to the police station to answer some questions.
A Mr Reed was able to go to the police station.
B Mr Reed forgot to go to the police station.
C Mr Reed was obliged to go to the police station.

8 It's kind of you to offer to help, but you really don't need to.
A I don't want you to help me.
B Your help isn't necessary.
C You won't be able to help me.

B Circle the correct word or phrase.

1 'Smoking isn't allowed in the airport.'
You **mustn't / don't have to** smoke in the airport.

2 'It's not necessary to come to the train station to meet me.'
You **have to / don't have to** meet her at the train station.

3 'We were forced to wait for over two hours in the rain!'
They **had to / didn't need to** wait for over two hours in the rain.

4 'The instructions tell you to write in pencil.'
You **must / needn't** write in pencil.

5 'You can contact us by either phone or e-mail.'
You **mustn't / don't have to** phone them.

6 'In my country, you can carry your passport with you if you want, but it's not necessary.'
In her country, you **don't need to / mustn't** carry your passport with you.

7 'My grandfather was made to start work when he was just fourteen years old.'
He **had to / must** start work when he was just fourteen years old.

8 'It's not necessary to book a hotel; you can stay in our spare room.'
You **mustn't / don't have to** stay in a hotel.

C Complete using the correct form of *have to*. You may have to use some negative forms.

1 Jade can't come out tonight. She ..... look after her little brother.
2 I didn't have enough money, so I ..... borrow some from Yuri.
3 It's raining really hard, but luckily we ..... go out this evening.
4 To start the laptop you ..... press the power button.
5 Robbie worked last weekend, but I ..... .
6 .....you ..... go to piano lessons when you were younger?

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