

Grammar Practice

A Choose the correct answer a, b or c.

1. Max never _____ to go to the post office, because his brother works there.
a. needs b. hasn't c. doesn't have to
2. Terry _____ go on business trips abroad twice a month.
a. need b. has to c. don't have to
3. I can't go out tonight. I _____ finish my project.
a. had to b. need c. must
4. Take your time reading the book. You _____ give it back to me for another week.
a. need b. don't have to c. must not
5. We _____ to water the garden more often now that it's summer.
a. need b. had better c. must
6. Excuse me, sir. You _____ park in here. It's forbidden.
a. needn't b. don't have to c. mustn't
7. Tina, you _____ cook. We're eating out tonight.
a. don't have b. don't need c. needn't
8. Martin _____ get back home before midnight or else he'll be in trouble.
a. needs b. has to c. needn't

B Circle the correct answer.

1. You'd better not **stay** / **to stay** up late tonight since you must wake up early tomorrow morning.
2. Well, I don't really like curry. I'd rather **to order** / **order** something less spicy.
3. We'd better **hurried up** / **hurry up** or we'll miss the train. It's almost half past three.
4. The children **had** / **would** better wear their helmets when they go cycling.
5. My grandmother would rather **travelling** / **travel** by train than by plane because she's afraid of heights.
6. The manager would rather **check** / **to check** all his e-mails by himself.
7. You'd **better** / **rather** not eat so many sweets since you're on a diet.
8. Don't you think we'd better **buy** / **buying** some more wood for the fireplace tomorrow? It's getting colder and colder every day.

C Rewrite the sentences making the necessary changes using *had better* or *would rather*.

1. Chris got sunburnt. He must put some after-sun cream on.

He _____.

2. I don't want to go out tonight. I'm very tired.

I _____.

3. George wants to lose weight. Why doesn't he go to the gym?

He _____.

4. It's a good idea to clean the house before noon.

We _____.

5. It's raining. Don't leave without taking an umbrella.

You _____.

6. They don't want spaghetti. They prefer to order a pizza.

They _____.

D Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first one, using the word given. You must use between two and five words including the word given.

1. He doesn't want to order sushi, because he can't stand the smell of fish.

rather He _____ sushi, because he can't stand the smell of fish.

2. I advise you to see her right now, because she's leaving in a while.

had You _____ right now, because she's leaving in a while.

3. It isn't necessary for him to take them to the train station.

need He _____ them to the train station.

4. Parking your car in front of that building is forbidden.

not You _____ in front of that building.

5. It's necessary to buy your own racket to start tennis lessons.

have You _____ racket to start tennis lessons.

6. I think that you must call the plumber today.

better I think that _____ the plumber today.