

GRAMMAR REVISION UNIT 1 – MODAL VERBS

Modals of obligation, prohibition and necessity: **have to, must and need to**

1 Choose the correct option.

- 1 School uniform is obligatory. We **have to / don't have to** wear it.
- 2 I **must / had to** go home now. I can't stay out late.
- 3 We **don't / didn't** have to stay inside school at lunchtime. We can go outside if we want.
- 4 Miss Stone **had to / must** teach us yesterday. Our normal teacher was sick.
- 5 You **don't have to / mustn't** put milk in her tea. She doesn't like it.
- 6 I **don't need / needed** to study last night.

2 Complete the sentences with the words.

didn't need to doesn't have to have to must mustn't need to

- 1 Maria _____ work after 5 p.m., it's not obligatory.
- 2 There's nothing in the fridge! We _____ go to the supermarket!
- 3 You _____ wear protection glasses for chemistry experiments. It's obligatory.
- 4 Oh, you _____ buy me a present, but thank you!
- 5 One of my mum's house rules is that we _____ make our beds every morning.
- 6 You _____ use your phone in the cinema. It's prohibited.

3 Write sentences about the signs.



- 1 You _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____

Modals of ability, permission and advice

4 Choose the correct options.

1 I could paint well when I was seven.	ability in the present / past
2 I'll be able to stay out late tomorrow.	advice / ability in the future
3 You shouldn't be dishonest.	advice to do / not to do something
4 I can remember their names.	ability in the present / past
5 You can work in the library until 5 p.m.	permission / advice
6 Sally ought to do a degree in teaching.	ability / advice for the future
7 We're not allowed to stay up late.	lack of advice / permission

5 Complete the sentences with the words. There are two extra words you don't need.

allowed can can't could couldn't ought should shouldn't

- 1 A Are you good at sports?
B No, I'm terrible! I play any sports.
- 2 A Alison spends all her free time studying.
B I know. She stay in at weekends. She ought to go out.
- 3 A Rani drew this picture when she was seven.
B That's amazing. She draw really well!
- 4 A I am really tired this week. I have so much work to do!
B You to come to the concert with me on Saturday. You need a break!
- 5 A I want to do a degree in French. I'm good at reading and writing, but I can't speak it well.
B I think you move to France for the summer.
- 6 A Max is very creative.
B I know. He write fantastic stories. I love reading them.

6 Look at the table. Are the sentences True or False? Correct the false ones.

	able to swim?	able to cook?	able to drive?
four years ago	✗	✓	✗
now	✓	✓	✗
four years from now	-	-	✓ (but her mum won't give her permission to!)

- 1 Four years ago Petra couldn't swim, but she could cook.
- 2 Four years ago, Petra could drive.
- 3 Now, Petra can't swim and she can't cook.
- 4 Now, Petra can drive.
- 5 Four years from now, Petra will be able to drive but her mum won't allow her to!

7 Read the sentences and choose the correct option.

- 1 My grandad smokes a lot and it's making him ill.
He **ought to / shouldn't** smoke.
- 2 Marta arrived at school an hour late!
She **ought not to / should** be late again.
- 3 I feel really tired but I can't sleep.
You **should / shouldn't** read in bed. That will help you sleep.
- 4 Ana needs help with her school project.
She **shouldn't / ought to** ask her older brother.
- 5 Martha sends texts when she's driving.
That's dreadful! She **should / ought not to** do that!