Exercise 9

Read the information again. Then complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets. Use contractions (e.g. didn't), where possible. Some sentences are negative. The first question has been done for you.

Talking about past obligations

- Strong positive obligations: *had to*
- Strong negative obligations: *wasn't / weren't allowed to*
- No obligation: *didn't have to*
- Past mistakes / regrets: *should / shouldn't have* + past participle

1. Personally, I really regret choosing to study law at university. I shouldn't have chosen it! (should / choose)
2. Looking back on it, engineering would have been more interesting, so I _____ an engineering course instead. (should / do)
3. When I read the course prospectus, the course sounded really interesting. It _____ a really practical course, with lots of real-life case studies and class discussions. (should / be)
4. However, it wasn't practical at all. We just _____ thousands of names and dates and technical terms. (have / learn)
5. During lectures, we just _____ and take notes. (have / listen)
6. We _____ to ask any questions during lectures. (allow)
7. In my opinion, the lecturer preferred it that way because she _____ creative in her teaching. (have / be)

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