

(26) OBLIGATION IN THE PRESENT AND PAST

ACTIVITY 1: Choose the correct answer.

1. You don't have to / mustn't buy equipment to go walking.
2. Do you have to / Must you wear special shoes for aerobics?
3. You don't have to / mustn't eat a lot before exercising. It isn't good for you.
4. I don't have to / mustn't cycle to college, but I do it because I love cycling.
5. Joe was ill, so he had to / must miss football practice.
6. At my running club we have to / must jog slowly before we start running.
7. That was great! We have to / must play more often.
8. These jogging bottoms don't fit me properly. I have to / must get some new ones.
9. Everyone can enjoy sport. You don't have to / mustn't be good at it.

ACTIVITY 2: Complete the sentences with had to or wasn't / weren't allowed to.

1. We _____ wear a school uniform when we were at school.
2. They _____ play sport every day after school as it was part of their curriculum.
3. In the past, women _____ to vote.
4. My mum _____ clean her brothers' shoes when she was a child.
5. We _____ chew gum in class when we were at school.
6. In Roman times, gladiators _____ fight in the arena.
7. I _____ drink water in class when I was at school.
8. I _____ go to bed before 10 when I was a child.
9. In the past, women _____ run a marathon.

ACTIVITY 3: This is an example of the laws, rules and customs which students said had affected them in their daily lives.

Laws	Rules	Customs
▪ Do not commit murder. ▪ Do not steal. ▪ Do not drive without a licence. ▪ No littering allowed. ▪ Wear clothes in public. ▪ Be 18 to be in a pub after midnight. ▪ Do not watch R rated movie if you are under 18.	▪ Do not pass go, do not collect \$200. ▪ Do not throw the ball (handball only). ▪ Wear a school uniform. ▪ Do not swear at teachers. ▪ Make your bed. ▪ Wear a suit to a 'Black Tie' function. ▪ Register your dog.	▪ Put a Christmas tree up. ▪ Shake hands when introduced to someone. ▪ Give eggs at Easter time. ▪ Bring teacher an apple. ▪ Say 'excuse me' after burping. ▪ Be nice to the teachers.

Write 10 sentences using modal verbs and phrases indicating obligation and permission in the past.
