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## How do I use modal verbs?

### 1 Tick the correct sentence in each pair.

- 1 a If workers are sick, they **must to** stay home and rest.  
b If workers are sick, they **must** stay home and rest.
- 2 a In this way, children can learn from what they have done.  
b In this way, children can **learning** from what they have done.

The following modal auxiliary verbs are followed by the infinitive without *to*: *can*, *could*, *may*, *might*, *must*, *shall*, *should*, *will*, *would*:

When travelling, we **should respect** the customs of the countries we visit. (not ~~should to~~ respect; ~~should respecting~~)

Modal verbs form questions and negatives without using *do*:

**Can I help** you? (not: ~~Do I can help you?~~)

**Will you meet** me when I arrive? (not ~~Do you will meet me~~)

**You mustn't worry** about me. (not ~~You do not must worry about me.~~)

When we talk about obligation or necessity using *have* or *need*, we use *to* + infinitive:

**I have to finish** my assignment this weekend.

**I need to talk** to you.

In questions and negatives, *have to* and *need to* behave like normal verbs and we use *do*:

**Do you have to pay** extra for breakfast? (not ~~have you to pay~~)

**They said I don't need to bring** my own sleeping bag. (not ~~I needn't to bring~~)

### 2 Correct the mistake below.



### 3 Correct the mistakes in the sentences below.

- 1 Nowadays, you **can to** find internet facilities in most hotels.
- 2 We **do not should** accept this situation any longer.
- 3 If we want to fix this problem, we **must trying** our best to change our attitude.
- 4 We **haven't to** stop using cars altogether but we **do have to** use them less often.
- 5 **Do we can** solve the problem of greenhouse gases in our lifetime?
- 6 **Need you to** take any food and drink with you, or are there shops there?
- 7 'Paula, you really **must to** study harder if you want to pass the exam.'
- 8 In my school, we **have to left** our mobile phones at home.