Must, Mustn't, and Don't Have To

📚 What do these words mean?

🔴 MUST = You HAVE TO do this (it's necessary)

Example: You must wear a seatbelt in the car. *(This is the law - you have no choice)*

❌ MUSTN'T = You are NOT ALLOWED to do this (it's forbidden)

Example: You mustn't smoke in the hospital. *(This is not allowed - it's against the rules)*

💡 DON'T HAVE TO = You can choose (it's not necessary)

Example: You don't have to wear a tie to the party. *(You can wear one if you want, but it's not required)*

🎯 Easy Way to Remember:

Word	Meaning	Symbol
MUST	Required/Necessary	✅ You HAVE TO
MUSTN'T	Forbidden/Not allowed	🚫 You CAN'T
DON'T HAVE TO	Optional/Your choice	🤷 You CAN CHOOSE

📝 Practice 1: Choose the correct word

Fill in the blanks with: **must**, **mustn't**, or **don't have to**

1. Students _____ cheat during exams. (It's not allowed)
2. You _____ have a passport to travel abroad. (It's necessary)
3. You _____ cook dinner tonight. I already made it. (It's not necessary)
4. Children _____ play with matches. (It's dangerous and not allowed)
5. You _____ wear uniform on weekends. (It's not required)
6. Drivers _____ stop at red lights. (It's the law)

🏫 Practice 2: School Rules

Read these school situations and write the correct modal verb:

Situation 1: The school library

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- You _____ be quiet in the library. (required)
- You _____ bring your own books. (optional)
- You _____ eat food in the library. (not allowed)

Situation 2: PE class

- You _____ wear sports shoes. (required)
- You _____ bring water. (optional - but good idea)
- You _____ use your phone during class. (not allowed)

🧠 Practice 3: No Hints Challenge

Choose **must**, **mustn't**, or **don't have to** for each sentence:

1. You _____ turn off your phone during the movie.
2. Students _____ do homework every night.
3. You _____ wear a helmet when riding a motorcycle.
4. Children _____ go to bed early on school nights.
5. You _____ buy expensive clothes to look good.
6. People _____ talk loudly in the cinema.
7. You _____ have a driver's license to drive a car.
8. Patients _____ smoke in the hospital.
9. You _____ tip the waiter if the service was bad.
10. Everyone _____ pay taxes.

🎯 Practice 4: Real Life Situations

Read each situation and complete with the correct modal verb:

At the Airport:

- Passengers _____ arrive 2 hours before international flights.
- You _____ bring liquids over 100ml in your hand luggage.
- You _____ buy food at the airport - you can bring your own.

At Work:

- Employees _____ be on time for meetings.
- Staff _____ use personal phones during work hours.
- You _____ work overtime if you finish your tasks early.

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Driving a Car:

- You _____ have car insurance.
- Drivers _____ text while driving.
- You _____ wash your car every week.

🏆 Practice 5: Mixed Challenge

Complete these sentences. Think carefully about the meaning!

1. You _____ be 18 to vote in most countries.
2. Students _____ copy from their classmates during tests.
3. You _____ cook if you don't want to - we can order pizza.
4. Visitors _____ feed the animals at the zoo.
5. You _____ speak English perfectly to communicate.
6. Doctors _____ keep patient information private.
7. You _____ exercise every day, but it's good for your health.
8. People _____ litter in the park.
9. You _____ have a reservation at this restaurant.
10. Children _____ play near the busy road.

🎨 Practice 6: Make your own sentences

Write one sentence for each modal verb about these topics:

At home:

- Must: _____
- Mustn't: _____
- Don't have to: _____

At a restaurant:

- Must: _____
- Mustn't: _____
- Don't have to: _____

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