

LANGUAGE IN ACTION

should/shouldn't and must/mustn't

1 ★ Complete the sentences with *should* or *shouldn't*.

- You should always be careful with candles.
- You shouldn't leave a lighted candle in an empty room.
- Dad says that we should tidy up our shoes.
- Maybe we should have a smoke alarm in the classroom.
- You shouldn't take other people's medicine.
- We should prevent as many accidents as we can.

2 ★ Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

should be should do should send
shouldn't drink shouldn't laugh shouldn't swim

- There's a red flag on the beach, so you shouldn't swim here.
- My uncle had an accident at work. I should send him a card.
- It's very icy today, so you should careful that you don't slip.
- Oliver was stung by a bee. You shouldn't laugh at him – it's not funny!
- My brother's got a broken arm, so I should wash the washing-up.
- Hey, you shouldn't drink that medicine! It's not fruit juice!

3 ★★ Complete the poster with *should* or *shouldn't* and a suitable verb.

Can't sleep at bedtime? Can't get up in the morning?

Here's some advice from SLEEP NURSE!

- You ¹ should do exercise in the fresh air every day.
You ² shouldn't drink tea or coffee in the evening.
You ³ should listen to quiet relaxing music.
You ⁴ shouldn't watch scary movies in bed.
You ⁵ should put your phone in a different room.
You ⁶ should turn off your light before you go to sleep.

4 ★★ Complete the sentences about the signs using *must* or *mustn't*. Sometimes there is more than one possible answer.



- You mustn't park here.
- You mustn't use a camera.
- You mustn't use a mobile phone.
- You must wear a hard hat.
- You mustn't ride a bicycle.
- You mustn't drink from the tap.

5 ★★ Circle the best options to complete the conversation.

PAULA I think you should / *shouldn't* / *must* come to judo club, Lola. It's really good!

LOLA Do you really think I ² *should* / *must* / *mustn't*? I'm not very sporty.

PAULA I know, but Mum says we ³ *should* / *shouldn't* / *must* do at least one after-school activity, so you have to choose one.

LOLA OK, what are the rules? What do I need to know?

PAULA First, you ⁴ *shouldn't* / *must* / *mustn't* be late because you can't come in once the class starts. Second, you ⁵ *should* / *must* / *mustn't* bring judo clothes – you can't wear normal clothes. And the most important thing: you ⁶ *should* / *must* / *mustn't* listen to everything the instructor says. Judo can be dangerous.

LOLA I'll try, but I don't like judo.

