

# NEED+ Gerund/Infinitive

→ Normally when we speak, we start with our subject- The person who will **do** the action

Ex: I **need to wash** my car.

However, the verb **NEED** can be used a little differently. We can focus on the object instead of the subject.

My car **needs** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Need+ ing**

My car **needs washing**.

The kitchen **needs cleaning**.

**Need+ to be p.p.**

My car **needs to be washed**.

The kitchen **needs to be cleaned**.

These sentences are technically **passive voice** because we focus on the object.

## Gerund

1. The baby's diaper is wet. It needs (change) changing.
2. What a mess! This room needs (clean) \_\_\_\_\_ up.
3. My shirt is wrinkled. It needs (iron) \_\_\_\_\_.
4. There is a hole in our roof. The roof needs (repair) \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The apples on the tree are ripe. They need (pick) \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The dog's been digging the mud. He needs (wash) \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The grass needs \_\_\_\_\_ (to cut) because it's very high.
8. I haven't had a manicure in ages. My nails need \_\_\_\_\_ (paint)
9. The dishes need \_\_\_\_\_ (wash)
10. The sheets need \_\_\_\_\_ (change)

## Infinitive

1. My vacuum isn't working. It needs **to be repaired** (repair).
2. Vera forgot that today she has Spanish class. Her homework needs \_\_\_\_\_ (do).
3. Your hair is too dirty, it needs \_\_\_\_\_ (wash) immediately.
4. This plant hasn't be watered for a long time, it needs \_\_\_\_\_ (to water).
5. Those screws are loose, they need \_\_\_\_\_ (to tighten).
6. The waste basket needs \_\_\_\_\_ (empty).
7. The windows in the office need \_\_\_\_\_ (wash)
8. These walls need \_\_\_\_\_ (paint).
9. The bedroom carpet needs \_\_\_\_\_ (shampoo)
10. The legs of the table need \_\_\_\_\_ (replaced)