

Must and mustn't

Must and mustn't are modal verbs. We use **must** and **mustn't** in rules and to give orders.

Subject	must / mustn't	Base form
You	must	wait here.
You	mustn't	be late.

We use **must** to talk about obligation. **Must** is similar to **have to**.

You **must** be there at nine o'clock.

You **must** write in black ink.

Mustn't is similar to **can't**.

You **mustn't** run in the school.

You **mustn't** bring your phone to school.

To ask about obligation we usually use **Do I have to ... ?**, not **Must I ... ?**

Do I have to be there at nine o'clock?

Do I have to write in black ink?

1 **16.5** Listen. Do we pronounce the 't' in **must**? Then listen and repeat.

- ▶ You must arrive on time. yes / no
- 1 You must eat everything. yes / no
- 2 You must open the door. yes / no
- 3 You must learn these facts. yes / no
- 4 You must bring a hat. yes / no
- 5 You mustn't say that. yes / no
- 6 You mustn't argue. yes / no

2 **16.6** Who is saying 1-8? Guess and match. Listen and check.

- a sports teacher ~~f~~ police officer
- b parent g doctor
- c music teacher h bus driver
- d museum attendant i science teacher
- e dentist

- ▶ You must have lights on your bike at night. f
- 1 You must tidy your bedroom. _____
- 2 You must eat a lot of fruit and vegetables. _____
- 3 You must try to run faster. _____
- 4 You must listen to the beat. _____
- 5 You must sit down when we're moving. _____
- 6 You mustn't take photos in here. _____
- 7 You mustn't touch these chemicals. _____
- 8 You mustn't eat so much chocolate. _____

3 Look at the pictures. Circle the correct answer.

▶ You must / mustn't stop here.

1 You **must** / mustn't pay £5 to go in.

2 You **must** / mustn't run.

3 You **must** / mustn't swim here.

4 You **must** / mustn't be over 13 to go in.

5 You **must** / mustn't turn right.

