

39 mustn't, don't have to / don't need to

You **mustn't** be late for the exam.

You **don't have to / don't need to** wait for me.

- We use **don't have to**, **didn't have to**, **don't need to** and **didn't need to** to say that something is not or was not necessary: You **don't have to** wait for me. I'll come later.
I didn't need to take a jacket – it was quite hot.

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Compare: **I mustn't** go. (It's forbidden to go.) **I don't have to** go.
(It isn't necessary for me to go. I can decide.)

PRACTICE

39a Match the sentence halves.

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- 0 You don't have to do
- 1 You don't have to train
- 2 You don't have to work
- 3 You don't have to pay
- 4 You don't need to drive
- 5 You don't need to buy
- 6 You don't need to have
 - a in the morning if you don't want to.
 - b the same thing every day.
 - c your own uniform.
 - d a car to work.
 - e for your accommodation.
 - f for a long time.
 - g any experience.

39b Circle the correct answer.

- 0 You **mustn't** / don't have to say things like that. It's cruel.
- 1 Oh, it's only Monday. I **mustn't** / don't need to return my library books today.
- 2 When we were children, my brother **mustn't** / **didn't** have to do the washing up.

b

- 3 Office workers *mustn't* usually / *don't* usually have to work at weekends.
- 4 Emma *didn't* have to / *doesn't* need to wait very long at the doctor's yesterday.
- 5 You *mustn't* / *don't* have to be late for the coach. It leaves at six.
- 6 We *mustn't* / *didn't* need to spend a lot on holiday. Everything was very cheap.

39c Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of the words in brackets.