

RULES AND WARNINGS

1. Work in pairs. What safety rules are in your workplace or college? Make a list.



2. Listen and complete the warnings with the words below.

Don't might must mustn't

- 1) You _____ wear a hard hat on the building site.
- 2) _____ go through that door!
- 3) You _____ wear safety gloves everywhere in the factory.
- 4) _____ touch that machine! It's very hot.
- 5) Be careful! High-voltage electricity. You _____ get an electric shock.
- 6) You _____ use your mobile phone here.

3. Why do signs have different colours?



DANGER

WARNING

CAUTION

NOTICE

SAFETY FIRST

4. The safety signs below follow the ISO international standard. The standard is used in the EU because it has many different languages. There are three types of safety sign:

- **WARNING SIGNS.** These signs warn you about a danger. They say things like this: *Warning. Danger. Look out. There is a danger or hazard* here. You might injure yourself. The signs are yellow and black in colour and triangular in shape. Here are some examples:

1 Warning. Poison: see

2 Danger. Fire hazard here: see

- **PROHIBITION SIGNS.** These signs prohibit an action. They say: *Do not do this. You must not do this. Never do this.* The signs are red, white and black in colour and round in shape. Here are some examples:

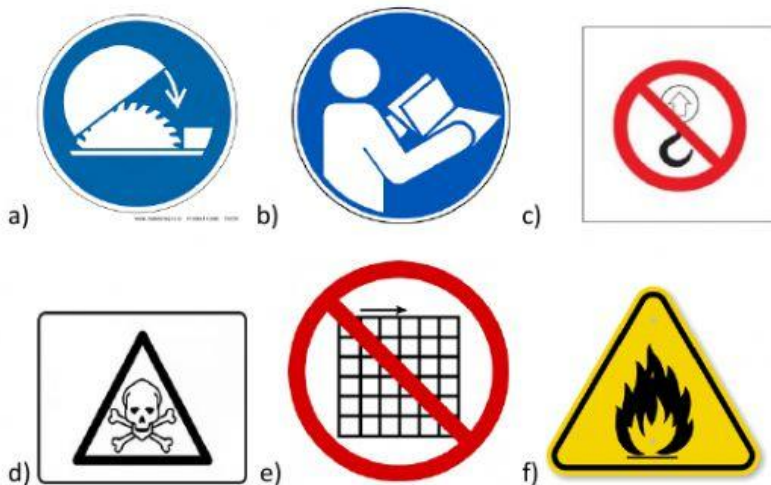
3 You must not lift this with a hook: see

4 Never take the guard off this machine: see

- **MANDATORY ACTION SIGNS.** These signs order you to do something. They say: *Do this. You must do this. Always do this.* These signs are blue and white in colour, and round in shape. Here are some examples:

5 Always read the manual before you service this machine: see

6 You must use the guard on this circular saw: see



5. Complete the instructions with the words in the box.

always

do

do not

must

mustn't

never

- 1) _____ use a lighted match in this workshop.
- 2) _____ wash your hands after using these chemicals.
- 3) _____ enter this small space.
- 4) You _____ wear safety boots when you lift this.
- 5) _____ not smoke in this factory.
- 6) You _____ touch this machine with bare hands. It's hot.

6. Which phrases have similar meanings?

You have to do it. _____

Don't do it. _____

You must not do it. _____

You must do it. _____

Never do it. _____

7. Give these instructions in different ways. Use the phrases in 6.

Example

Keep your goggles on – You have to keep your goggles on.

You must keep your goggles on.

Never drink this - You must not drink this.

Don't drink this.

- 1) Keep your goggles on
- 2) Never drink this.
- 3) Keep this box dry.
- 4) Make sure all the windows are open.
- 5) Don't allow visitors in here.
- 6) Make sure the lid is secure.
- 7) Never leave this bottle in a hot room.
- 8) Don't allow children to touch this box.