

Modal verbs

Have to, Ought to, Had better

Activity 1: Fill in the Blanks

Complete the sentences with **have to**, **ought to**, or **had better**.

1. You _____ study if you want to pass the exam.
2. She _____ wear glasses because her eyesight is poor.
3. We _____ leave soon; the show starts in 30 minutes.
4. He _____ apologize for being rude. It's the right thing to do.
5. They _____ follow the rules, or they'll get in trouble.

Activity 2: Choose the Correct Option

Select the best modal verb for each sentence.

1. You (have to / ought to / had better) call your mom; she's been worried about you.
2. Drivers (ought to / had better / have to) obey traffic laws to avoid fines.
3. It's late. We (ought to / have to / had better) go home now.
4. He (have to / had better / ought to) visit the dentist because his tooth hurts.
5. You (have to / ought to / had better) wear sunscreen; it's very sunny outside.

Activity 3: True or False

Decide whether the use of the modal verbs in the sentences below is correct (True) or incorrect (False).

1. You **have to** finish your homework tonight; it's due tomorrow.
2. He **ought to** take his umbrella; it's sunny outside.
3. We **had better** leave now, or we'll miss the bus.
4. She **has to** eat less sugar to stay healthy.
5. You **had better** drink water because it's optional.

Activity 5: Match the Sentences to the Correct Modal Verb

Match the sentences to **have to**, **ought to**, or **had better**.

- a. Strong obligation or necessity
- b. Moral obligation or advice
- c. Urgent advice with consequences

1. You _____ tell her the truth before she finds out from someone else.
2. Doctors _____ work long hours in hospitals.
3. We _____ take a break; we're both exhausted.