15 A law must be passed!

1 **What should be done about each situation? Choose the best option by giving your opinion. Use the passive form with *should, shouldn't,* or *ought to.***









1. People shouldn't be allowed to leave large items on the sidewalk. OR
   People ought to be required to take large items to designated dumps.
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

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2 **Make recommendations about the situations in these pictures. Choose an option. Use the passive form with *has to*, *has got to*, *must*, or *mustn't*.**









1. A law has to be passed to prevent people from losing their homes. OR
   Something must be done to repair abandoned homes.
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

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3 Think of four things that you have strong opinions about. **Drag and drop the opinions according to the reasons explained.**

Example: In my opinion, cell phones shouldn't be allowed in class.
They distract students from the lesson.

1. I feel that **They help reduce pollution and provide cleaner air for everyone.**
2. I think that **People's lives must be protected from reckless behavior.**
3. In my opinion, **Nutritious food should be provided to support students' health.**
4. I don't think that **Reusable bags could be offered instead to protect the environment.**

dangerous drivers **ought to be banned** from the roads.

more trees **should be planted** in cities.

plastic bags **should be used** in supermarkets.

school lunches **must be improved**.

4 Respond to these opinions by giving a different one of your own. Use expressions from the box. **Drag and drop**

That's interesting, but I think . . .
That's not a bad idea. On the other hand, I feel . . .
You may have a point. However, I think . . .
Do you? I'm not sure . . .

1. **A:** Everyone should be required to study Chinese.
   B: You may have a point. However, I think that English is more useful for traveling.
2. **A:** People mustn't be allowed to write unkind things about others on social networking sites.
3. **A:** Public transportation should be provided free of charge.
4. **A:** I think people ought to be required to buy hybrid cars.
5. **A:** In my opinion, all plastic containers should be banned.

B: *You may have a point. However, I think* we should focus more on recycling and using biodegradable materials instead.

B: *That's interesting, but I think* people should learn to ignore mean comments and not take everything seriously online.

B: *On the other hand, I feel* that charging a small fee could help improve services and maintenance.

B: *Do you? I'm not sure...* Some people can't afford them, and there aren't enough charging stations yet.

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5 Getting revenge

A Skim the web posts. **Choose the best option.**

What is a revenge story?

Why is each of these stories a revenge story?

DO YOU HAVE A REVENGE STORY? SHARE IT!

1. Marcy: I used to have a friend who was a lot of fun. She always loved to go out to eat. There was just one small problem: Every time the server brought the check, she would say, "Uh-oh! I don't have enough money with me. Can I pay you back later?" This was OK the first and second time it happened, but these excuses happened again and again.

I finally got my revenge. The next time we went out for dinner, I said that I had forgotten my wallet. She was shocked, but she paid the check. However, she has never called me to go out again. I guess she was a moocher – a person who always tries to get someone else to pay.

2. Jonathan: My neighbors used to keep rabbits in their yard, but they treated them very badly. Rabbit pens should be cleaned regularly, but these rabbits were dirty, and the smell was really terrible. Worse, I noticed that the rabbits didn't have enough to eat or drink. When I complained to my neighbors, they said, "It's not your problem."

When I called the animal protection society, they said they would investigate. I waited a week, but nothing happened. One night, I stole the rabbits and took them home. The next day I gave them to a local pet store.

3. Chad: I was having problems sleeping because of a dripping noise coming from my air conditioner. I thought the air conditioner needed to be repaired, so I called a technician. She couldn't find anything wrong with it, but she said the dripping was coming from the apartment above me. I asked my neighbor to have his air conditioner checked, but he said, "If you can't sleep, that's your problem!"

The following day I climbed a ladder and turned off the electricity inside the air conditioner. My neighbor had to call the technician to turn it on, and when she did, she also fixed the dripping. It cost him a few dollars, but it was worth it!

B Read the comments. Do you agree or disagree? Write *A* (agree) or *D* (disagree). **Choose the best reason.**

_____ **1.** Marcy shouldn't have pretended to lose her wallet. She should have spoken with her friend and told her it was time she paid for a meal.

_____ **2.** I think Marcy did exactly what she ought to have done. Moochers must be taught a lesson!

_____ **3.** People mustn't be permitted to steal. Jonathan made a big mistake, didn't he?

_____ **4.** If people don't take care of their animals, something has got to be done. However, I don't think he should have stolen the rabbits.

_____ **5.** Sometimes neighbors must be taught a lesson. Chad didn't hurt anybody, so I think his nasty neighbor got what he deserved.

_____ **6.** You may have a point about some neighbors, but I think Chad should have called the manager of his building.

- ☑ *Why?* A more responsible and less risky step would have been to report the issue properly.
- ☑ *Why?* It's true that action was needed, but not through theft.
- ☑ *Why?* Some may argue she handled it cleverly and indirectly taught her friend a lesson.
- ☑ *Why?* While her frustration is valid, pretending isn't the most honest response.
- ☑ *Why?* His method was risky, but some may find it justified since he solved his problem without harm.
- ☑ *Why?* Even though he wanted to protect the rabbits, stealing was not a legal or ethical solution.

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6 Add tag questions to these statements.

1. Bullying is a serious problem, _____isn't it_____?
2. The city doesn't provide enough services for elderly people, _____does it_____?
3. You can easily spend all your money on food and rent, _____?
4. Some unemployed people don't really want to work, _____?
5. Health care is getting more and more expensive, _____?
6. There are a lot of homeless people downtown, _____?
7. Some schools have overcrowded classrooms, _____?
8. Laws should be passed to reduce street crime, _____?

7 Nouns and verbs

A Complete the chart.

Noun	Verb	Noun	Verb
advertisement	advertise		pollute
	bully	prohibition	
	improve	provision	
offense			require
permission			vandalize

B Complete the sentences with tag questions



1. Bicyclists should be required to wear helmets, shouldn't they?
2. They polluted the river last year,
3. We need permission to enter that building,
4. He advertised the product on social media,
5. This area is under prohibition,
6. The city should improve its roads,
7. They were offended by the comment,
8. She provided everything we asked for,
9. She provided everything we asked for,

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8 Give one reason for and one reason against these opinions. Drag and drop.

1. Children should be made to study a foreign language in primary school.
   For: It would help children understand other cultures.
   Against: I don't think it would be easy to find enough teachers.
2. Schools should punish students who bully other children.
   For:
   Against:
3. More tax money ought to be spent on cleaning up vandalism.
   For:
   Against:
4. Stray animals should be cared for in animal shelters.
   For:
   Against:

Against: Parents, not schools, should be responsible for their children's behavior.
For: Every animal's life is important.
For: It might stop children from being bullies.
Against: There aren't enough animal shelters to care for every stray animal.
Against: There are other more important things to spend tax money on.
For: It's important to keep the city clean.

9 Complete the conversation. Use passive modals and tag questions.



Gina: You know, I just moved into this new apartment building, and I thought everything would be really great now.

Alec: What's the problem?

Gina: Well, yesterday, the manager gave me a copy of the house rules. I found out that I can't park my moped on the sidewalk in front of the building anymore.

Alec: But people shouldn't _____ (permit) to park their bikes or mopeds there.

Gina: Why not? There isn't any other place to park, _____? I guess I'll have to park on the street now.

Alec: I'm sorry that parking somewhere else will be inconvenient, but don't you agree that people shouldn't _____ (allow) to block the sidewalk or the entrance to the building?

Gina: Well, you may have a point, but parking spaces for all types of cycles need _____ (provide) for renters here. All renters with a car have a parking space, _____?

Alec: Well, yes, you're right. You should go to the next renters' meeting and discuss the issue with everyone else.

Gina: That's not a bad idea. My voice ought _____ (hear) as much as anyone else's – I think I will!

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