

Helping

1 Match 1–8 to A–H.

- 1 Dinner is almost ready – can you ____
- 2 It's Ella's birthday and her brother is ____
- 3 If you want to help, you can use this cloth to ____
- 4 After she's finished the washing, I always ____
- 5 Take these dirty clothes downstairs and ____
- 6 The cooker is really dirty – you need to ____
- 7 Can you take this brush and ____
- 8 Your bookcase needs cleaning – shall I ____

- A dry the dishes.
- B load the washing machine.
- C clean it.
- D dust the shelves?
- E lay the table, please?
- F sweep the floor, please?
- G decorating a cake for her.
- H iron the clothes.

2 Nina and Otto's parents are going away for the weekend. Their mum has written some instructions for them. Choose the correct alternative to complete the instructions.

You don't have to do all the ¹dishes / housework, but here are some jobs you can help with.

First, ²clear / empty the washing machine and put your clothes in the dryer. When they are dry, ³clean / fold your clothes and ⁴put them away / take them out.

After you finish eating, please make sure you ⁵clear / lay the table and ⁶load / wash the dishes. Please ⁷clean / make your bed every morning as usual, and ⁸wash / tidy your bedroom.

On Sunday evening, you need to ⁹clean / take out the rubbish. And it's going to be very hot, so please don't forget to ¹⁰wash / water the plants!

Have a great weekend and we'll see you on Monday.

Love, Mum and Dad.



3 Complete the comments with the correct verb.



Sam My brother and I always have to ¹_____ our beds before school. Our parents are always telling us to ²_____ our bedrooms, and if we don't, sometimes they get angry and shout at us to ³_____ our clothes away.



Lyra We're a big family so I sometimes help with the washing. I help to ⁴_____ the washing machine and then ⁵_____ it when the clothes are clean. Sometimes my mum asks me to help her ⁶_____ the clothes, but she always ⁷_____ them herself.

4 Choose the correct alternative.

- 1 You **don't need to / need to** learn how to iron your own clothes if you want to be independent.
- 2 In some families, the kids **don't have to / mustn't** help with the housework.
- 3 I **must / mustn't** remember to water the plants or they'll die.
- 4 Most of my friends **have to / don't need to** make their beds and tidy their rooms – their parents ask them to.
- 5 My mum says I **don't have to / mustn't** message my friends until I've finished my homework.
- 6 You **don't need to / mustn't** use your smartphone in class.
- 7 You **don't need to / need to** take out the rubbish – I've already done it.

5 Match the sentences in Ex 4 (1–7) to the meanings.

- A It's necessary to do this. ____
- B It's not necessary to do this. ____
- C I think this is really important. ____
- D Don't do it! ____

6 Complete the sentences with the correct form of *have to*, *must* or *need to*, and one of the verbs below. More than one answer is sometimes possible.

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- 1 A Do you want me to help with the dishes after supper?
B No, you _____ that. I can load the dishwasher myself.
- 2 My mum works late on Thursdays, so I _____ supper for me and my sister.
- 3 If you ride your bike on the road, you _____ a cycle helmet – it's dangerous not to wear one.
- 4 Your parents are worried about you – you _____ them and tell them you are OK.
- 5 It's my sister's birthday on Friday – I _____ to buy her a present.
- 6 I don't live near the school, so I _____ early if I want to be on time.
- 7 You _____ a long reply to my email – just send a text.
- 8 Your room is really messy – you _____ until you have tidied it.



Jenny My sister and I usually help our parents at supper time. While my dad cooks, one of us ⁸_____ the table so it looks nice. Then afterwards, we both ⁹_____ the table. Then I usually ¹⁰_____ the dishes and my sister ¹¹_____ them and puts them away.



Oscar In our house, Saturday morning is when the whole family ¹²_____ the housework. I don't mind it when I have to ¹³_____ the floor or ¹⁴_____ the shelves, but the worst job is if I have to ¹⁵_____ the cooker. When we've finished, I usually ¹⁶_____ the rubbish and put it in the bin.