

# Modal Verbs

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Have to, don't have to  
must, mustn't



**Have to**  
obligation

**Must**  
obligation

**Don't have to**  
No  
obligation

**Mustn't**  
prohibition



Use “**have to**” +  
verb (infinitive)

To talk about rules

To talk about  
obligations

*I **have to** get up at seven every day*

*She **has to** speak English at work*

**Use DO/DOES to make questions and negatives**

***Do I have to go?      NOT ~~Have I to go?~~***

**Don't contract HAVE/HAS**

***I have to go      NOT ~~I've to go?~~***



Use “**don’t have to**” +  
verb (infinitive)

To say that something  
is not necessary

To say that there is no  
obligation

*We **don't** have to wear a uniform at this school*

*She **doesn't** have to work on Saturdays*





Use “**must**” + verb  
(infinitive)

To talk about rules

To talk about  
obligations

*You **must** do your homework tonight*

*She **must** tidy her room before going out*



Use “**mustn’t**” + verb  
(infinitive)

To say that something  
is prohibited

To say that something  
is against the rules

*You **mustn't** leave your bags here*

*I **mustn't** forget to call her tonight*

***Must/mustn't*** is the same for all persons

I

You

He, she, it

***Must/mustn't***

We

they





