



MINI-LESSON 37: MODALS – SHOULD / MUST / HAVE TO

Objective:

Understand how to use **should**, **must**, and **have to** to express **obligation**, **necessity**, and **advice**.

Grammar Explanation:

| Modal | Use | Example |
|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Should | Advice or recommendation | You should study for the test. |
| Must | Strong obligation or rule | You must wear a seatbelt. |
| Have to | Necessity (often external rules) | I have to pay my bills. |

Tips:

- “Must” is often used for rules and laws.
 - “Have to” is similar in meaning to “must” but is used more often in daily conversation.
 - “Should” is weaker than “must” and “have to.”
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Practice

A. Choose the correct modal: should, must, or have to.

1. You _____ see a doctor. You don't look well.
2. We _____ wear uniforms at school. It's the rule.
3. I _____ finish this project before Friday.
4. You _____ try the new restaurant. It's amazing!
5. She _____ bring her ID to enter the building.
6. He _____ stop smoking. It's bad for his health.

B. Complete the sentences with the correct form of should, must, or have to.

1. I _____ be at work by 9 a.m.
2. You _____ drive so fast. It's dangerous.
3. We _____ bring our passports to the airport.
4. He _____ go to the dentist. His tooth hurts.
5. You _____ be quiet in the library.
6. I _____ call my grandmother tonight.

C. Write your own advice or obligation using should, must, or have to based on the situation.

1. A friend is sick.
→ _____
2. It's the law to wear a helmet on a motorcycle.
→ _____
3. You want to recommend a movie.
→ _____
4. Your class starts at 8 a.m.
→ _____
5. Your phone battery is low.
→ _____
6. Someone asks how to stay healthy.
→ _____



✓ Answer Key

A. Choose the correct modal

1. should
2. must
3. have to
4. should
5. have to
6. should

B. Complete the sentences

1. have to
2. shouldn't
3. have to
4. should
5. must
6. have to

C. Write your own advice or obligation

(Answers will vary. Example answers:)

1. You should rest and drink plenty of water.
2. You must wear a helmet.
3. You should watch "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty."
4. I have to wake up early to get to class.
5. I must charge my phone.
6. You should eat well and exercise regularly.