

MODAL AUXILIARIES (1)

These modal auxiliaries can change the meaning of a sentence and show that something is **obligatory, prohibited, not necessary or permitted**:

<b>Obligation</b>	must	All the soldiers <b>must</b> report to their commanding officer.
	have to	To become a doctor you <b>have to</b> study for many years.
	need to	To get your passport, you <b>need to</b> go to the government office.
<b>Prohibition</b>	mustn't	You <b>mustn't</b> take any medicine without consulting the doctor.
	can't	You <b>can't</b> bring your dog into the restaurant.
<b>No Necessity</b>	don't have to	You <b>don't have to</b> pay, but a donation is welcome.
	needn't	You <b>needn't</b> come with us if you don't want to.
<b>Permission</b>	may	The zoo guard says we <b>may</b> take pictures of the animals.
	can	I'm sorry, only employees <b>can</b> use the office telephone.

**Practice**

**A. Match a sentence in A with a function in B.**

?	A	B
...	1. I don't have to work on Saturday.	a. obligation
...	2. I have to clean my room once a week.	b. prohibition
...	3. You mustn't use the calculator during the test.	c. permission
...	4. You may use my phone to call your parents.	d. no necessity

**B. Fill in each gap with an appropriate modal auxiliary from the list:**

may - have to - don't have to - mustn't

- In Morocco, you ..... pay to go to a state university.
- In Morocco, you ..... drive without a driving license.
- In Morocco, you ..... be 18 to have a passport.
- In Morocco, you ..... wear a seat belt in a car.
- In Morocco, you ..... take off your shoes before entering a mosque.
- In Morocco, you ..... park your car in front your house.
- In Morocco, you ..... be 18 to vote in an election.
- In Morocco, you ..... wear a crash helmet if you ride a motorbike.

**Self-test**

**C. Rewrite the following sentences using an appropriate modal auxiliary.**

- It's necessary for you to come on time.  
❖ .....
- Is it Ok if I use your computer to send an email?  
❖ .....
- You are not allowed to leave your car here after 8:00 pm.  
❖ .....
- Dad says we have the permission to go to the beach after lunch.  
❖ .....
- It isn't obligatory to wear formal clothes in our company.  
❖ .....
- It's our duty to clean the room before we leave.  
❖ .....
- It's forbidden to feed the animals in the zoo.  
❖ .....
- You aren't required to make a reservation in this hotel.  
❖ .....

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**A.**

1. d. no necessity
2. a. obligation
3. b. prohibition
4. c. permission

**B.**

1. don't have to
2. mustn't
3. don't have to
4. have to
5. have to
6. may
7. have to
8. have to

**C.**

1. You must/have to/need to come on time.
2. May/Can I use your computer to send an email?
3. You mustn't/can't leave your car here after 8:00 p.m.
4. Dad says we may/can go to the beach after lunch.
5. We don't have to/needn't wear formal clothes in our company.
6. We need to/have to/must clean the room before we leave.
7. You mustn't/can't feed the animals in the zoo.
8. You don't have to/needn't make a reservation in this hotel.