



**Must = have to**

We can use either Must or have to give our opinion, to say what we think is necessary, or to recommend someone to something.

- E.g. - I haven't spoken to Ali for ages, I must phone him (I say this is necessary)**  
**- She is really nice person; you must meet her (I recommend this)**

**Must ≠ have to**

We use « have to » not « must » to say what someone is obliged to do. The speaker is not giving his /her opinion.

**E.g. I have to work every day. (a fact, not an opinion)**

**Had to**

We use « had to » instead of « must » to talk about the past.

**E.g. we had to leave early last night. (not: we must leave)**

**Activity 1: complete the sentences with: have to, has to, had to**

1- She starts work at 6am. She (to get up) early.

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2- He broke his leg yesterday. He (to go) to hospital.

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- 3- What time you go home this afternoon.  
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- 4- He (to travel) a lot when he was in England.  
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- 5- How long you (to wait) for the bus yesterday.  
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**Activity 2: In some of these sentences « must » is wrong or unnatural. Correct the sentences where necessary.**

1. It's getting late. I must go.
2. I must work every day from 8 to 5 o'clock.
3. You must come and see us again.
4. She can't meet us tomorrow. She must work.
5. He must work late yesterday.
6. She wears glasses. She must wear glasses since her childhood.
7. We must leave early yesterday afternoon.

**Activity 3: Tick the statements in which « must » does not express obligation.**

- 1- He's wearing a white coat. He must be a teacher.
- 2- You must be John. Jane has already told us a lot about you.
- 3- Have a drink. You must be thirsty.
- 4- I must finish that report for tomorrow.
- 5- Why must we accept all this condition.
- 6- Visitors mustn't feed the animals.
- 7- It must be four or five in the morning. The sun will rise soon.