







When Leat Live, but when I drink I die. What am I when the rain comes down?





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# Must



Uses of Must:

### Obligation

- You must wear a seatbelt when you drive.

#### **Deduction** (certain something is true)

- Look at all that snow. It must be cold outside.

#### **Emphasize Necessity**

- Plants must have light and water to grow.

### **Strong Recommendation**

- We must get together for dinner soon.

#### Mustn't = Prohibition

- You mustn't use your phone while driving.

#### MUST vs. HAVE TO

Must expresses obligation imposed by the speaker while Have to expresses external obligations.

Teacher: You must complete this essay by Friday.
Student: We have to complete this essay by Friday.

It is more common to use Have to instead of Must in questions.

- Does he have to do the test?

We use Had to instead of Must in the past tense.

- I had to pay my speeding ticket yesterday.

See our chart about Mustn't vs. Don't have to.

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## Mustn't vs. Don't have to



BE CAREFUL: There is a difference in meaning between Mustn't and Don't have to.

#### Mustn't

#### MEANING

It is prohibited; it is not allowed. It is important that you do NOT do something.

#### You must not drink that.

- = It is forbidden to drink that.
- = Don't drink that, it is not allowed.

#### You mustn't tell John.

- = Do NOT tell John.
- = You are not allowed to tell John.

## Don't have to

#### MEANING

There is no obligation; you are not required to do something, especially if you don't want to.

#### You don't have to drink that.

= You don't need to drink that but you can if you want to.

#### You don't have to tell John.

= You can tell John if you want to but it is not necessary.

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