

Talk about obligation and prohibition

1 Look at the picture and answer the questions.

- Where are the students? What are they doing?
- Why do you think they are doing this?
- What country do you think they are in?

2 023 **Read and listen** Check your answers to exercise 1.

Strictest school rules?

Different schools around the world have different rules. How do these typical school rules from Japan compare with yours?



CLEANING

All students must clean their classrooms at the end of the school day. You must clean the floors, windows, and desks, and empty the trash cans every day, but you don't have to clean the public areas of the school.

BE ON TIME

Students must not be late for school. If a student is regularly late for class, he or she must come in earlier than the other students and do more cleaning.

BEHAVIOR

Students must stand up at the start and end of the class, greet the teacher, and bow. You must also do this when another teacher enters a classroom. If your teacher can't come to school, you must study quietly in class.

APPEARANCE

All students must wear their school uniform and they must not wear makeup or have unusual hairstyles.

LUNCH

Students and teachers all eat together in the classroom. You don't have to serve the food every day—students take turns doing that—but you must eat all the food given.

VACATIONS

The school will close for five weeks at the end of the year, but students must not forget to do their vacation homework. You don't have to come to school during vacations, but lots of students do this.

3 Decide if the sentences are true (T) or false (F).

- Students clean their classrooms before classes. ☐
- If a teacher is sick, the students don't have to come to school. ☐
- Students serve the food at lunchtime. ☐
- Students can come to school in the summer break if they want. ☐

Think!

Choose the correct alternatives.

Must and *have to* mean it is necessary to do something, but *must not* and *not have to* are different:

- ¹**must not / don't have to** = It's prohibited. You can't do it.
- ²**must not / don't have to** = It isn't necessary. You can do it, but it isn't necessary.

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4 Choose the correct alternatives.

- We **must not / don't have to** use our phones in class.
- You **must not / don't have to** drive on the left in Peru.
- Edward's lucky! He **must not / doesn't have to** do much homework tonight.
- Normally students in the U.S. **must not / don't have to** wear a school uniform.
- You **must not / don't have to** smoke here! It's illegal.

5 024 Listen to a teacher talking to a class about a school trip. Complete the rules using *must*, *must not*, or *don't have to*.

School trip rules

- Students be at school at 8 a.m.
- Students arrive late.
- Students wear school uniform.
- Students bring pens and a notebook.
- Students bring expensive gadgets.
- Students leave their phones at home.

6 **Pairwork** A new student has come to your school from Japan. Write a list of your school rules for him / her using *must*, *must not*, *don't have to*. Use the topics in the box.

hours appearance lunch homework
exams cleaning behavior vacations

You must arrive at school by eight o'clock.

Challenge

Explain the rules for a game or sport you know well. Use *have to*, *must not*, and *don't have to*.