

## Session 3

Welcome to Session 3. We're going to look at using **must** and **have to** in the past and future. We'll also bring you a top tip for informal speaking.

## Activity 3

### Language focus: Test yourself

#### Must and have to - future and past



Earlier in this unit we learned how to use **must** and **have to** to express obligation and strong necessity in the present tense.

But how do we use **must** and **have to** in the future or the past? Here are some example sentences of how to use **must** and **have to**. Study them and then try the activity to help you learn the rules.

#### Examples

John **had to go to A&E** because he banged his head.

**We've got to stay home** this weekend unfortunately...

I'm really sorry Auntie but **we'll have to miss the family reunion** this time.

First **we had to stop at the petrol station**...

**We've got to change the engine oil** too.

**I didn't have to go to the meeting today** after all.

#### To do

Here are some sentences all about **must** and **have to**. Choose the correct words to complete them.

- (1) There is no future or past form of **must / have to**.
- (2) We use **will have to / will must** to talk about the future and **had to / musted** to talk about the past.
- (3) In the first message, Sarah said "he had to go to A&E", because she was talking about something that happened in the **past / future**.
- (4) Sarah said "we'll have to miss the family reunion", because it's an event in the **future / past**.
- (5) The negative forms are 'didn't have to' (past) and **will not having to / won't have to** (future).

The answers are at the bottom of the page.

#### Next

Well done. Now for that top tip we promised.

#### Answers

- (1) There is no future or past form of **must**.

- (2) We use **will have to** to talk about the future and **had to** to talk about the past.
- (3) In the first message, Sarah said "he had to go to A&E", because she was talking about something that happened in the **past**.
- (4) Sarah said "we'll have to miss the family reunion", because it's an event in the **future**.
- (5) The negative forms are 'didn't have to' (past) and **won't have to** (future).