

## **Modals: must/have to**

Modals "must" and "have to" are both used to express necessity or obligation in English, but they are used slightly differently in terms of strength and context.

### **1. "Must":**

- "Must" is used to express a strong necessity or obligation, often based on the speaker's judgment or opinion.
- It implies that the action is required or very important.
- "Must" is commonly used in formal and informal situations.

Examples:

1. You must finish your homework before you go out to play.
2. She must attend the meeting at 9 a.m.

### **2. "Have to":**

- "Have to" is used to express necessity or obligation, but it can be based on external rules, regulations, or circumstances, rather than personal judgment.
- It suggests that the action is required or necessary due to external factors.
- "Have to" is suitable for both formal and informal contexts.

Examples:

1. I have to submit this report by tomorrow.
2. We have to wear uniforms at school.

Summary Chart:

Modal	Usage	Example
Must	Strong necessity	You must finish your homework before you go out to play.
Have to	Necessity based on external factors	I have to submit this report by tomorrow.