

7A GRAMMAR permission, obligation, and necessity

a Right (✓) or wrong (✗)? Correct the mistakes in the highlighted phrases.

- 1 These jeans are too tight. I **should have tried** them on before buying them. ✓
- 2 Clara's still very upset about her divorce, so you **hadn't better** ask her about it.
- 3 The invitation said we **didn't need to wear** formal clothes, so we wore jeans.
- 4 Employees **don't have to download** any software because it's against company rules.
- 5 We're **supposed to** finish early on Fridays, but always end up staying late.
- 6 If you want to be sure of passing your test, you really **ought** study more.
- 7 The boss is in a bad mood today so **you'd better** watch out.
- 8 You **don't need to** show your passport for domestic travel within the US.
- 9 We **should think of** that solution earlier. It's too late now.

b Circle the correct alternative in each pair. Check (✓) if both are possible.

BECKY Hi, I'm Becky. I'm Amanda's new personal assistant.

MATT Well, you ¹ **can't** / **couldn't** sit on that chair because it's mine. The assistants sit over there.

BECKY I'm so sorry.

MATT You ² **had better not** / **don't have to** apologize. And incidentally, never apologize to the boss. Amanda says we ³ **must not** / **aren't allowed to** ever say sorry, just do the job and do it well. Have you met her yet, by the way?

BECKY Only briefly, at my interview.

MATT Well, you ⁴ **had to** / **had better** get ready for a shock. By the end of today you'll be wondering if you ⁵ **should** / **must** have accepted this job.

BECKY What do you mean?

MATT Let's just say that you ⁶ **can't** / **don't have to** relax when she's around. Oh, and you ⁷ **must** / **should** have her carrot juice ready by 11 a.m. and it's already three minutes after. You ⁸ **should** / **had better** hurry up!



c Look at the pairs you have checked. Is there any difference in meaning?

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- Imagine you are the mayor of your town. Write ten rules for citizens to follow that you think would improve life there. Use the grammar from a and b above.

Example:

Bike riders are **not allowed** to ride on the sidewalk, and will be fined on the spot if caught doing so.



7B GRAMMAR verbs of the senses

- Rewrite the second sentence using the word in bold.
- The situation sounds worse than had been expected.
THOUGH It sounds *as though the situation is worse* than had been expected.
 - This herb has a similar smell to garlic, but it isn't.
LIKE This herb _____, but it isn't.
 - I could see that she had probably been crying.
IF She looked _____ been crying.
 - Your manager has been telling me good things about you.
HEARING I've _____ from your manager.
 - You can really taste the almonds in this ice cream.
TASTES This _____ almonds.
 - The neighbor says that no one left the house after 9 p.m. that night.
SEE The neighbor says she didn't _____ after 9 p.m.
 - A viola makes a noise similar to a violin, but its range is lower.
SOUNDS A viola _____, but its range is lower.
 - It seems as though the city hasn't changed much since I left.
HAVE The city doesn't seem _____ since I left.
 - The bomb went off at exactly eight o'clock.
HEARD I _____ at exactly eight o'clock.
 - Adam seems not to have slept very well judging by the amount he's yawning.
LOOKS Adam _____ judging by the amount he's yawning.
 - She seemed to be delighted with the outcome of the meeting.
THOUGH It seemed _____ with the outcome of the meeting.
 - According to neighbors, the couple was arguing for more than an hour.
HEARD Neighbors _____ for more than an hour.

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- a Read the following poem.

Sitting in my kitchen

I can see sunbeams dancing on the curtains.
 The birds outside sound as if they're having a serious conference today.
 The air smells of the coffee I've just made.
 The cup feels warm in my hand,
 And the coffee tastes deliciously sweet.

- b Now write your own poem about any place you like or dislike. Write a title and five lines, one for each of the senses, paying particular attention to the grammar in the exercise above. Use this frame to help you:

(your title)		
I can	see	
	sound(s)	
	smell(s)	
	feel(s)	
	taste(s)	

8A GRAMMAR gerunds and infinitives

a Right (✓) or wrong (✗)? Correct the mistakes in the highlighted phrases.

- 1 I expect **to have finished** the report by Friday afternoon. ✓
- 2 It's no use **sitting** around talking about it. We need actions, not words.
- 3 Your remarks offended me. I will not put up with **sp aking to** like that.
- 4 We would love **to be able** to stay longer in Bangkok, but it just wasn't possible.
- 5 She's very narrow-minded so it's difficult for her **understanding** your point of view.
- 6 I wasn't aware of **having been introduced** to her before.
- 7 There's no point **to invite** George because he never goes to parties.
- 8 **Having studied abroad** will certainly be an advantage when you come to apply for a job.
- 9 What's that noise? Someone seems **to try** to open the door.
- 10 We enjoyed the vacation, but we would rather **have stayed** at home.

b Complete the second sentence with a gerund or infinitive so that it means the same as the first.

- 1 We can't get a taxi because we don't have enough cash.
We don't have enough cash *to get* a taxi.
- 2 It won't do you any good to feel guilty about what happened.
It's no good _____ guilty about what happened.
- 3 He was fed up with his wife telling him what to wear.
He was fed up with _____ what to wear by his wife.
- 4 It would have been better if our boss had informed me personally.
I would rather _____ by our boss in person.
- 5 He's unsure about what he should do after he graduates.
He's unsure about what _____ after he graduates.
- 6 It is thought that the police are searching the whole area.
The police are thought _____ the whole area.
- 7 She was the first female president.
She was the first woman _____ elected president.
- 8 I'm concerned that I haven't been contacted yet.
I'm concerned about _____ yet.

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Match 1–8 with a–h to make questions, and then discuss with a partner.

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| 1 How easy is it for you | a to have achieved by the end of your life? |
| 2 Do you think there is any point in | b have spent your last vacation differently? |
| 3 What do you hope | c telling a white lie is ever justifiable? |
| 4 Do you think | d dedicating their whole life to their career but neglecting their family? |
| 5 What would it have been like | e regretting something after you've done it? |
| 6 Do you mind | f to have lived 100 years ago? |
| 7 Would you rather | g being asked about your age? |
| 8 Would you admire someone for | h to tell people how you really feel? |

8B GRAMMAR expressing future plans and arrangements

- a Right (✓) or wrong (✗)? Correct the mistakes in the highlighted phrases.

KEITH So, what ¹are you and Wendy doing this weekend? ✓

TOM Well, the school vacation ²starts on Friday and ³we will go to the beach with the kids. We can't stay away for long, though. Wendy's ⁴due go into the hospital on Monday.

KEITH Really? ⁵Is she having an operation?

TOM Yes, but it's nothing too serious. It's just her wrist. ⁶She'll be home again in the evening. What ⁷do you and Jennifer do this weekend?

KEITH Sadly, Jennifer is working all weekend. Her company ⁸is about to be taken over by a big multinational so everyone is worried ⁹they're losing their jobs. So it looks like ¹⁰I'll be spending the weekend on my own. I've decided that ¹¹I'm painting the outside of the house if the weather stays nice.

TOM That doesn't sound like much fun! Have a good weekend.



- b Read the news report and underline six different structures used to express the future.

One of the most talked-about matches in the history of tennis is due to take place this afternoon in New York. Current world number one Arturo Villa is to face his long-term rival Bill Everard in what is going to be a long and tough struggle for the top spot, according to commentators. Their last match was a narrow defeat for Everard. "I have worked so hard

to come this far, and this time I'm 100 percent sure I'm about to become the most highly ranked player in the world," he commented in a pre-match press conference. When asked about his predictions for the match, Villa replied: "I've never been in better shape and I'm going to show him who's the boss, just like last time." The match begins at 5 p.m. local time.

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- Use the information below to write another news report in one paragraph about a visit from the president. Use some of the structures from a and b.

9 a.m. Arrival of president and first lady in New York City by helicopter, greeted by mayor.

10 a.m. Press conference at City Hall; first lady to meet the public.

11:30 a.m. Visit to new city hospital; spend time with patients.

1 p.m. Formal lunch at City Hall with local officials and community leaders.

2 p.m. President: meeting with business leaders at City Hall. First lady: speech at local high school, followed by theatrical performance by students.

3:30 p.m. Tour of newly redesigned city gardens for president and first lady.

5 p.m. End of visit; departure from New York City by helicopter.



"The president and his wife **are due to** arrive in town by helicopter at 9 a.m. and **are to be** greeted by the mayor. At 10 a.m., the president **will be giving** a press conference at City Hall, while the first lady..."