



She **must be** sick. = I am sure she is sick. It is clear that she is sick.

must + base form (must be / must know, etc.):

I/we/you/they he/she/it	must (not)	be know have live, etc.
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We use **must** when we believe that something is true.

- It's evening, and you haven't eaten anything all day. You **must be** hungry.
- My brother has worked at your company for years. You **must know** him.
- My friends have the same zip code as you. They **must live** near you.
- (on the phone) This isn't John? I'm sorry. I **must have** the wrong number.

We use **must not** when we believe that something is *not* true.

- The phone rang eight times, and Megan didn't answer. She **must not have** her phone with her.
- Miguel takes the bus everywhere. He **must not have** a car.
- The Silvas are always home on Fridays. They **must not work** then.

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Must has another meaning. You **must do** something = it is necessary to do it:

- You **must eat** well if you want to be healthy.
- They're in a dangerous situation. They **must be careful**.
- Workers **must wear** safety glasses at this machine.
- In the United States, you **must be** 18 to vote.
- You **must have** a passport to travel outside your country.

For the *past* (yesterday, last week, etc.), we use **had to** ... (*not must*).

- They were in a dangerous situation.
They **had to be** careful.
(*not They must be careful.*)
- We **had to wear** safety glasses when we visited the factory last week.
(*not We must wear*)



You **must not do** something = don't do it.

- Bicyclists **must not ride** on the sidewalk.
(= they must ride in the street)
- You **must not be** late for school again!



Exercises

Unit 29

29.1

Complete the sentences. Use **must be** + these words or phrases:

for you good **hungry** in the kitchen tired very happy

- 1 It's evening, and you haven't eaten anything all day. You **must be hungry**....
- 2 Mariana worked 10 hours today. She
- 3 It's the most popular restaurant in town, so the food
- 4 "I got the job." "You did? You"
- 5 The phone's ringing. I know it's not for me. It
- 6 My keys aren't in the living room, so they

29.2

Complete the sentences. Use **must** + these verbs:

drink have **knew** like work

- 1 My brother has worked at your company for years. You **must know** him.
- 2 Jessica wears something blue every day. She the color blue.
- 3 The Hills have six children and three dogs. They a big house.
- 4 Mrs. Lee bought three gallons of milk at the store. Her children a lot of milk.
- 5 I know Mrs. Romo has a job, but she's always home during the day. She at night.

29.3

Write **must** or **must not**.

- 1 (on the phone) This isn't John? I **must** have the wrong number.
- 2 Miguel takes the bus everywhere. He **must not** have a car.
- 3 Brandon is very thin. He eat very much.
- 4 I never see my neighbor in the morning. He leave for work very early.
- 5 I always have to repeat things when I talk to Emma. She hear very well.
- 6 Jim wears the same clothes every day. He have many clothes.
- 7 You have a cold and a fever? Poor thing! You feel awful.

29.4

Write **must** or **must not**.

- 1 We **must not** forget to send Sam a birthday card.
- 2 We **must** wear safety glasses when we visit the factory.
- 3 The city do something about the traffic. It's a big problem.
- 4 Members of the club disobey the rules.
- 5 Keep these papers in a safe place. You lose them.
- 6 Bicyclists follow the same traffic rules as drivers.
- 7 Everyone wait in line for their turn.

29.5

Complete the sentences. Use **must**, **must not**, or **had to** + these verbs.

be be feed go know miss take wear

- 1 In most of the United States, you **must be** at least 16 to get a driver's license.
- 2 In my last job, all employees both English and Spanish.
- 3 People in the front seat of a car a seat belt.
- 4 Students who want good grades class often.
- 5 This highway was closed. Drivers a different road.
- 6 A tennis player very good to play professionally.
- 7 You the animals in the zoo.
- 8 There was no food in the house. We to the supermarket.