

Life at Home

Fleydo English School • Teens • A2 • Reading • 30 min

Lesson Objectives

- Read about household chores
- Name chores and rooms
- Use have to / has to
- Use don't have to / doesn't have to
- Write about home responsibilities

Part 1: Reading — The Chore Wars

Twins Sam and Freya (14) have a chore chart on the kitchen wall. They both have to do chores every day.

Sam: I have to take the bins out, load the dishwasher, and set the table. I also have to tidy my room every Sunday before playing video games. I don't have to cook — Dad does that. The chore I don't mind is walking our dog Buster. My sister doesn't have to do as many chores as me — or so it feels!

Freya: Sam says I don't have to do much, but that's not true! I have to Hoover twice a week, help with the laundry, and clean the bathroom on Saturdays — my least favourite chore. I don't have to do the ironing because Mum says we'd burn everything! I also have to feed the cat morning and evening. At weekends we both have to help with the food shop.

Both: We don't have to do any chores on our birthday — that's a family rule! Chores teach us responsibility. Our parents say: 'You live here, so you have to help.' Fair enough!

Part 2: Comprehension

1. What's on the kitchen wall? (Chore chart.)
2. Sam's most annoying chore? (Tidying his room.)
3. Why doesn't walking the dog feel like a chore? (He loves being outside with Buster.)
4. Freya's least favourite chore? (Cleaning the bathroom.)
5. Why no ironing for Freya? (Mum says they'd burn everything.)
6. Birthday rule? (No chores.)

Part 3: Grammar

□ have to / has to = obligation

I have to tidy my room. She has to feed the cat.

Someone else (parents, rules) makes you do it.

□ don't have to / doesn't have to = no obligation

I don't have to cook. She doesn't have to iron.

It's not necessary, but you CAN if you want.

□ don't have to vs mustn't

don't have to = not necessary. mustn't = forbidden / dangerous.

You don't have to wash the car. vs You mustn't touch the oven!

Person	has to / have to	doesn't / don't have to
Sam	bins, dishwasher, room, table, dog	cook dinner
Freya	hoover, laundry, bathroom, cat	ironing
Both	food shop	chores on birthdays

□ Part 4: Quiz

1. She ___ feed the cat. (obligation)

- a) have to b) has to c) must to d) having to

2. I ___ cook. Dad does it. (no obligation)

- a) mustn't b) don't have to c) haven't to d) not have to

3. ___ you have to tidy your room?

- a) Do b) Are c) Have d) Does

4. Sam's most annoying chore?

- a) Walking dog b) Bins c) Tidying room d) Setting table

5. You ___ touch the oven! (forbidden)

- a) don't have to b) mustn't c) haven't to d) doesn't have to

6. Why no ironing for Freya?

- a) Too young b) They'd burn everything c) Dad does it d) No iron

📝 Part 5: Fill in the Blanks


Use: have to | has to | don't have to | doesn't have to

1. Sam _____ take the bins out.

2. Sam _____ cook dinner.
3. Freya _____ Hoover twice a week.
4. Freya _____ do the ironing.
5. They both _____ help with the food shop.
6. They _____ do chores on their birthday.
7. Sam _____ tidy his room before gaming.
8. Freya _____ feed the cat every day.

Part 6: Speaking & Writing

- What chores do you have to do?
- What don't you have to do?
- What's your least favourite chore?
- Should teenagers do chores?

 Write About Chores at Your Home 10-14 sentences. What you have to do (4+ chores), what you don't have to do, your favourite and least favourite, how often. Use have to / don't have to / has to at least 6 times!

Review Checklist

- I can name household chores.
- I can use have to / has to for obligation.
- I can use don't have to for no obligation.
- I understand don't have to vs mustn't.
- I can ask Do you have to...?
- I can write about chores at home.

Well done! You completed Lesson 6: Life at Home!

□ Answer Key

Quiz Answers:

1. b) has to
2. b) don't have to
3. a) Do
4. c) Tidying room
5. b) mustn't
6. b) They'd burn everything

Fill in the Blanks Answers:

1. has to
2. doesn't have to
3. has to
4. doesn't have to
5. have to
6. don't have to
7. has to
8. has to