

IN OTHER WORDS

Study these examples. The second sentence has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

- 1 It's forbidden to go near the launch pad.  
**mustn't** You **mustn't go** near the launch pad.  
**allowed** You **aren't allowed to go** near the launch pad.
- 2 I advise you to send them a letter of apology.  
**should** You **should send** them a letter of apology.  
**ought** You **ought to send** them a letter of apology.
- 3 I'm certain Andrew didn't reveal your secret.  
**can't** Andrew **can't have revealed** your secret.
- 4 Let's discuss this over lunch.  
**can** We **can discuss** this over lunch.
- 5 Do you think Laura will leave for Chicago earlier than she thought?  
**likely** Is Laura **likely to leave** for Chicago earlier than she thought?
- 6 It isn't necessary for Ron to pay for our tickets.  
**have** Ron **doesn't have to pay** for our tickets.  
**need** Ron **doesn't need to pay** for our tickets.
- 7 I'm sure Robert realised how wrong he was.  
**must** Robert **must have realised** how wrong he was.
- 8 It is possible that they will sell their house.  
**may** They **may sell** their house.
- 9 It wasn't necessary for her to come early, but she did.  
**have** She **needn't have come** early.
- 10 Everyone is supposed to pay taxes to the government.  
**should** Everyone **should pay** taxes to the government.

**23** Complete each sentence with two to five words, including the word in bold.

- 1 I'm sure the books are in this cupboard  
**must** The books ...*must be in this*... cupboard.
- 2 Let's have lunch in half an hour.  
**can** We ..... in half an hour.
- 3 It isn't necessary for you to work on Saturday.  
**have** You ..... on Saturday.
- 4 I advise you to open a bank account.  
**should** You ..... a bank account.
- 5 It is possible that she has forgotten to call.  
**may** She ..... to call.
- 6 It wasn't necessary for him to buy a gift, but he did.  
**have** He ..... a gift.
- 7 Perhaps Alice is at the hairdresser's.  
**could** Alice ..... the hairdresser's.
- 8 I advise you to have your car serviced.  
**should** You ..... car serviced.
- 9 I'm sure Sylvia didn't mean what she said.  
**can't** Sylvia ..... what she said.

- 10 It wasn't necessary for him to help me, but he did.  
**have** He ..... me.
- 11 It's forbidden to take your bag into the building.  
**mustn't** You ..... into the building.
- 12 I'm sure she understood what I was saying.  
**have** She ..... what I was saying.
- 13 Perhaps he took the train to work this morning.  
**may** He ..... the train to work this morning.
- 14 Running in the corridors is forbidden.  
**allowed** You ..... in the corridors.
- 15 Is it possible that Jane is leaving school at the end of this week?  
**be** Could ..... at the end of this week?
- 16 We'll probably have a party for Simon's birthday.  
**likely** It's ..... a party for Simon's birthday.
- 17 I'd better start studying for my exams soon.  
**ought** I ..... for my exams soon.

**24** Underline the correct word(s).

- 1 A: **Shall/Would/Could** I speak to the manager, please?  
B: I'm afraid he's busy at the moment.
- 2 A: The Taylors brought us a bottle of wine for our anniversary.  
B: They **needn't/couldn't/mightn't** have done that, but it was very kind.
- 3 A: **Could/May/Shall** you tell me where the bank is, please?  
B: Certainly. It's on the corner.
- 4 A: You **mustn't/needn't/couldn't** clean the floor.  
B: Oh, have you done it already?
- 5 A: **Would/Shall/Will** we go for a walk this afternoon?  
B: Why not? It's a lovely day.
- 6 A: **Can/Shall/Would** I have a milkshake, please?  
B: Yes, of course. What flavour would you like?
- 7 A: **May/Should/Would** I borrow your pen, please?  
B: Yes, of course. Be my guest.
- 8 A: **Shall/Will/Would** I pour you a glass of orange juice?  
B: Yes, please. **Could/May/Shall** you put some ice in it, too?
- 9 A: I put your blue trousers in the washing machine.  
B: Oh, no! You **shouldn't/mustn't/can't** have done that. They have to be dry-cleaned.
- 10 A: Where's Alan?  
B: Well, it's five o'clock. He **ought/mustn't/needn't** to be here by now.
- 11 A: What are you doing on Saturday morning?  
B: I **have to/will/should** go into the office for a couple of hours.
- 12 A: I want to get a better job.  
B: You **didn't need to/should/needn't** get some more qualifications.