



Have To or Must QUIZ

Fill in the blanks

1. We just bought a new washing machine and it has many settings. I wanted to wash my sweater yesterday but I didn't know which setting to use. My wife _____ show me.
2. My cousin from Spain is coming to visit us next week. You _____ meet him! He's really funny.
3. It started raining after lunch so we _____ close the windows.
4. The concert is free! You _____ to pay for a seat.
5. Alice's eyes are not so strong. If she wants to read a newspaper she _____ wear glasses.
6. The elevator in my apartment is broken so I _____ use the stairs. I live on the 12th floor!!!



Answers on the next page.

Answers

1. We just bought a new washing machine and it has many settings. I wanted to wash my sweater yesterday but I didn't know which setting to use. My wife **had to** show me.
~We use the past tense (**had to**) here to match the other two past tense verbs in our sentence, *wanted* and *didn't*.
2. My cousin from Spain is coming to visit us next week. You **must** meet him! He's really funny.
~Of course, **have to** is fine in this sentence. If you answered with the contraction **gotta** as a one-word answer you are also correct, and you're a superstar!
3. It started raining after lunch so we **had to** close the windows.
~In this sentence, the first clause "It started raining after lunch" is talking about a past event so we will use **had to**.
4. The concert is free! You don't **have to** pay for a seat.
~In this example we use the negative to show that something is not necessary.
5. Alice's eyes are not so strong. If she wants to read a newspaper she **has to** wear glasses.
~The grammar is also correct with "**must** wear glasses."
6. The elevator in my apartment is broken so I **have to** use the stairs. I live on the 12th floor!!!
~This sentence needs the simple present tense of **have** because the action of using the stairs will happen regularly. It will continue to happen until the elevator is repaired. (I hope it's soon!)



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