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Explanations

mustn't

must not = mustn't

<i>I mustn't do that.</i>	<i>He mustn't do that.</i>	<i>We mustn't do that.</i>
<i>You mustn't do that.</i>	<i>She mustn't do that.</i>	<i>They mustn't do that.</i>
	<i>It mustn't do that.</i>	

You mustn't shout! (These actions are not allowed.)

Students must not eat or drink in the classroom.

Must not is more formal and is used in written English.

don't have to

do not = don't does not = doesn't

<i>I don't have to</i>	<i>he doesn't have to</i>	<i>we don't have to</i>
<i>you don't have to</i>	<i>she doesn't have to</i>	<i>they don't have to</i>
	<i>it doesn't have to</i>	

We don't have to go to school tomorrow. (These actions are not necessary.)

Jim doesn't have to get up early tomorrow.

shouldn't

should not = shouldn't

Shouldn't gives the speaker's opinion of what is a bad thing to do.

You shouldn't watch television all day. (In my opinion this is a bad idea.)

Kate shouldn't eat so much chocolate.

Careful! The first 't' in **mustn't** is silent.