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## A Busy Schedule

Question – How often + Adverbial Phrases + Modal Verb – ought to

Date:

Grade:

Cody, you **ought to** go to the dentist **once a year**.

Do you want to lose all of your teeth?

No way! I already brush my teeth **twice a day**.



### Grammar Explained

a) We use **'How often'** to ask about frequency.

**How often**

do you visit your grandparents?

does Markus go travelling?

b) We use **adverbial phrases** to show frequency.

**once**

**twice**

**three times**

**a day / a week / a month / a year**

I visit my grandparents

**once a week.**

He goes travelling

**three times a year.**

c) We use the modal verb **'ought to'** to give advice and tell people the right things to do. We do not change the form of **'ought to'** or the form of the verbs after **'ought to'**.

You

**ought to**

go

running **three times a week.**

She

practise

the piano **twice a day.**

**A** Connie is talking about her habits. Follow the ghost leg to find out how often she does the following activities. Circle the correct answers.



on Tuesdays and Thursdays

every year

at 7 am, 4 pm and 9 pm every day

every month

- I help with the housework once / twice a month / year .
- I visit my grandparents in Toronto once / twice a month / year .
- I go to the library twice / three times a day / week .
- I feed Jojo twice / three times a day / week .

**B** Connie is talking about her classmates. Fill in the blanks with the help of the given verbs.

ought to

do eat help practise speak

e.g. Ronald's handwriting is poor. He ought to practise more at home using copybooks.

- Damon is very lazy at weekends. He \_\_\_\_\_ with the housework.
- Katrina and Andrew are unhealthy. They \_\_\_\_\_ less fatty food. They \_\_\_\_\_ more exercise too.
- Joanne wants to improve her English speaking skills. She \_\_\_\_\_ to Mr Robinson more often in English.



**C** Cody and his friend are talking about the activities their families do. Look at the pictures and complete their conversation with the help of the given words.



✓ / year

Andy : How often does your dad give your mum roses?

Cody : He **e.g.** gives her roses once a year.



✓✓✓ / month

How often **1** your dad (wash) his car?

Andy : He washes his car **2**.



✓ / week

**3** you and your sister (play) board games together?

Cody : We play board games **4**.



✓✓ / year

Andy : **5** your family (go) travelling?

Cody : We go travelling **6**.



✓ / day



**7** you (brush) your cat's fur?

Andy : **8**



## Proofreading

**D** Underline the mistakes in the numbered lines and write the correct answers on the lines.

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| 1. How long do you go to the dentist? I go        | 1. _____   |
| 2. there twice a years. It is important for us to | 2. _____   |
| 3. take care of our teeth. Everyone oughts to     |  3. _____ |
| 4. goes to the dentist and check his or her teeth |  4. _____ |
| 5. at least once the year.                        | 5. _____   |



# Daily Life Grammar



**E** Mrs Kim is interviewing a doctor about having good habits. Complete the interview with the help of the given words.

How often	change ✓ / day	brush ✓✓ / day
	cut ✓✓✓ / month	clean ✓✓ / week
ought to	have ✓ / day	


Mrs Kim : Hello, Dr Lo. Good to see you today. Can you share with us about how to make good habits?

Dr Lo : Sure. I know many children don't like brushing their teeth. We **1** \_\_\_\_\_ our teeth **2** \_\_\_\_\_.


Mrs Kim : Yes, they don't like having a shower or washing their hair either. **3** \_\_\_\_\_ should we do these?

Dr Lo : We **4** \_\_\_\_\_ a shower **5** \_\_\_\_\_. Some people even have a shower twice a day in summer.

Mrs Kim : We sweat a lot in summer so children **6** \_\_\_\_\_ their uniforms and socks often, right?

Dr Lo : Of course, they should change their uniforms and socks **7** \_\_\_\_\_ in summer. Also, they  **8** \_\_\_\_\_ their water bottles **9** \_\_\_\_\_.

Mrs Kim : How about cutting fingernails? **10** \_\_\_\_\_ should we cut them?

Dr Lo : There are a lot of germs under our fingernails. We  **11** \_\_\_\_\_ them around **12** \_\_\_\_\_. We can do it weekly as well.

Mrs Kim : These are very useful reminders. Thanks again for your sharing today.

