

15 Be Well-mannered

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Grammar Notes

To-infinitives 2 Bare Infinitives

Ellie, do you have any more snacks? I'm still very hungry.

I **saw** you **eat** the last piece of cookie. You should really **learn to share**.



We use **to-infinitives** after verbs like 'ask', 'learn', 'mean', 'need', 'refuse' and 'want'. **Grammar Tip**

We also use the to-infinitives in the following sentence patterns:

e.g. It is wrong to play with your food.

It is my job to keep the room clean.

I did not	mean	to speak	loudly.
Jasper	refused	to take	a shower after dinner.

We use **bare infinitives** after verbs like 'let', 'make', 'hear', 'see' and 'watch'. A bare infinitive is the base form of a verb.

We cannot	hear	the teacher	speak	in this room.
Mum	let	me	do	the work by myself.

Warm-up

A Jasper and his friends want to behave well outside of school. Circle the correct answers.

I didn't greet my neighbour this morning. I didn't hear him ① to call / call my name, so I didn't reply. I didn't mean ② to act / act rudely. I'm sorry.

I wanted ③ to report / report a crime. I saw a thief ④ to steal / steal something from a store. We shouldn't let him ⑤ to get / get away with it.

We should learn ⑥ to be / be considerate. When I see elders on the bus, I always let them ⑦ to take / take my seat.



Grammar Notes

ought to



We use **'ought to'** to talk about things that are right to do. We use **'ought not to'** to talk about things that are wrong to do. We use **bare infinitives** after **'ought to'** and **'ought not to'**.

We	ought to	be	on time for school.
Jasper	ought not to	chat	during lessons.

Grammar Tip

We never change the form of 'ought' for different subjects.
e.g. ✗ Ellie **oughts** not to eat snacks on her bed.



Common Errors

- ✓ I **ought to keep** quiet in the library.
- ✗ I **ought keep** quiet in the library.

- Students **ought to work / ought work** hard for the exams.
- We **ought not to be / ought not be** mean to our classmates.

Grammar Tip

As an adjective, the word 'mean' means 'unkind'. As a verb that should be followed by to-infinitives, it means 'to intend'.

Warm-up



Ellie is talking about what we should and should not do at school. Look at the pictures and fill in the blanks with **'ought to'** or **'ought not to'**.



- We _____ run in the school corridors.
We _____ walk slowly.



- We _____ be polite to teachers.
We _____ be polite to other staff members too.
We _____ speak or act rudely.



- We _____ complete the homework.
We _____ hand it in on time.
We _____ copy from others.



- We _____ shout at our classmates.
We _____ fight with one another.



Practice



Ellie is writing a blog entry about what happened in the library. Complete the blog entry with the correct form of the given verbs.

Mind Your Manners

Today when I went to read books at the public library, there was an old man talking loudly on the phone. I wanted ① _____ (ask) him to be quiet but he refused ② _____ (stop) talking. I could hear him ③ _____ (speak) loudly even after I put my earphones on. He was so inconsiderate. We ought to ④ _____ (behave) ourselves in public areas. We ought not to ⑤ _____ (disturb) others. I wanted to let the librarian ⑥ _____ (know) about this so I went to the counter and asked someone ⑦ _____ (come) and help. I showed the librarian where the old man was and the librarian made him ⑧ _____ (switch) off his phone. We all ought to ⑨ _____ (follow) the rules in public places.



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Hint: Q4, 5 & 9

Do we use to-infinitives or bare infinitives after 'ought to'?

Proofreading



There is one mistake in each numbered line. Correct the underlined mistakes for Questions 1-2. Underline and correct the mistakes for Questions 3-9.

1. Vincent saw a pregnant lady to get on the bus today. Nobody 1. _____
2. wanted give their seats to her. She looked tired. Vincent 2. _____
3. wanted help but he didn't have a seat. He was standing too. 3. _____
4. So he politely asked a passenger offer a seat to her and 4. _____
5. let the lady to take a rest. But the passenger didn't hear 5. _____
6. Vincent spoke because he had his earphones on. Vincent 6. _____
7. oughted to speak louder but he was too shy. Luckily, a girl 7. _____
8. saw this and gave the lady her seat. We all ought be more 8. _____
9. considerate and should not refuse giving our seats to others. 9. _____

Grammar in Context



Text Type:
School notice



Jasper is reading a school notice. Complete the school notice with the correct form of the given words.

ought to

ought not to

ask be behave do feel
get develop respect take



Sacred Heart Primary School

Dear Students,

Notice on Students' Behaviour




Hint: Q2

Find a verb that means 'to start to have'.


The school wants you ① _____ well both at school and outside the school.

Please read the following reminders and learn  ② _____ good manners.

◆ You ③ _____ be kind and polite to other people in public. If anyone is rude to you, it will certainly make you ④ _____ sad. For this reason, we need ⑤ _____ others.

◆ Beware of the safety on the street. You ⑥ _____ cross the road without looking at the traffic lights. Do not cross the road when the red light is on just because you see other people  ⑦ _____ so.

◆ On public transport, you ⑧ _____ eat or drink. Also, you ⑨ _____ occupy extra seats with your belongings. To be considerate, you should let people in need ⑩ _____ on the bus or MTR train first.

◆ Try  ⑪ _____ more helpful. When you see someone in need ⑫ _____ for help, you ⑬ _____ lend a helping hand.

◆ You ⑭ _____ obey the law. Think twice before you act and make sure you refuse ⑮ _____ part in any illegal activities.

Mr Tim Chan

The School Principal



Hint: Q11

We use to-infinitives after the verb 'try'.

