

## Phrasal modals of Obligation

### Example sentences for practice:

*Grammar structure: should have + past participle*

I should have stayed home and studied for my exam.

I should have made a grocery list before I went shopping.

I should have brought my umbrella.

You should have made a reservation sooner.

I should have taken some extra cash.

*had to + simple tense verb*

Tom had to stay late and finish his project for work.

We had to wear a uniform in school.

I had to leave the party early because I got sick.

I had to bring my identification.

I had to retake my driving test after I failed.

*was supposed to + simple tense verb*

Lea was supposed to stay after school and help with the fundraiser. (but she forgot)

I was supposed to pick up the groceries after work.

You were supposed to cancel the appointment.

I was supposed to clean out the garage over the weekend, but it was too hot.

I was supposed to tell my friend about the surprise party, but I was too busy.

*didn't have to + simple tense verb*

We didn't have to study for the test because we were prepared.

I didn't have to stay late because I finished my work early.

I didn't have to take my grandmother shopping, but I wanted to. (I took my grandmother shopping, although there was no obligation to do so.)

You didn't have to get me a gift! (You gave me a gift, but you were not obligated to do so)

I didn't have to cook because we went out to dinner.

Adding “not”

I shouldn't have eaten so much, now I feel sick.

You shouldn't have listened to your friend's bad advice. (but you did)

I shouldn't have been so late to class. (but I was)

I shouldn't have spent all my money on Amazon. (but I did)

I shouldn't have forgotten my keys. (but I did)

I wasn't supposed to turn in my homework late. (but I did)

I wasn't supposed to go jogging until my ankle healed, but I did, and now it really hurts!

We weren't supposed to reveal the surprise. (but someone did)

You weren't supposed to leave the meeting early. (but you did)

I wasn't supposed to keep the rental car past its return date. (but I did).