



ENGLISH GRAMMAR 2 INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

Unit 33 – Should 1

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Should 1

SHOULD DO = A GOOD THING TO DO

A ❖ You **should do** something = it is a good thing to do or the right thing to do.

You can use **should** to give advice or to give an opinion:

- EX1: You look tired. You **should go** to bed.
- EX2: The government **should do** more to improve schools.
- EX3: A: **Should we invite** Stephanie to the party?
B: Yes, I think we **should**.
- EX4: The man on the motorbike **should be wearing** a helmet.

❖ You **shouldn't do** something = it isn't a good thing to do:

- EX5: You shouldn't believe everything you read in newspapers.

❖ We often use **should** with I think / I don't think / Do you think ... ?:

- EX6: I think the government **should do** more to improve schools.
- EX7: I don't think you **should** work so hard.
- EX8: A: Do you think I **should apply** for this job?
b: Yes, I think you **should**.

❖ **Should** is not as strong as **must** or **have to**:

- EX9: You **should apologize**. (= it would be a good thing to do)
- EX10: You **must apologize**. / You **have to** apologize. (= you have no alternative)

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SHOULD DO / SHOULD HAVE DONE

B

- ❖ We use **should** when something is not right or what we expect:
 - EX11: Where's Tina? She **should be** here by now. (= *she isn't here yet, and this is not normal*)
 - EX12: The price on this packet is wrong. It **should be** £2.50, not £3.50.
- ❖ We also use **should** to say that we expect something to happen:
 - EX13: Helen has been studying hard for the exam, so she **should** pass. (= *I expect her to pass*)
 - EX14: There are plenty of hotels in the town. It **shouldn't be** hard to find a place to stay. (= *I don't expect it to be hard*)

C

- You **should have done** something = you didn't do it, but it would have been a good thing to do:
- EX15: You missed a great party last night. You **should have come**. Why didn't you? (= *you didn't come, but it would have been good to come*)
 - EX16: I wonder why they're so late. They **should have been** here long ago.
- ❖ You **shouldn't have done** something = you did it, but it wasn't a good thing to do:
- EX17: I'm feeling sick. I **shouldn't have eaten** so much. (= *I ate too much*)
 - EX18: She **shouldn't have been listening** to our conversation. It was private. (= *she was listening*)
- ❖ Compare **should (do)** and **should have (done)**:
- EX19: You look tired. You **should go** to bed now.
 - EX20: You went to bed very late last night. You **should have gone** to bed earlier.

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OUGHT TO

D

ought to ...

- ❖ You can use **ought to** instead of **should** in the sentences on this page.
 - We say “**ought to do**” (with to):
 - EX21: Do you think I **ought to apply** for this job? (= *Do you think I should apply ... ?*)
 - EX22: Jack **ought not to go** to bed so late. (= *Jack shouldn't go ...*)
 - EX23: It was a great party last night. You **ought to have come**. (= *You should have come*)

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BÀI TẬP NHANH

Select the option which best completes the sentences below:

Helen has been studying hard, so she _____ the exam .

- A. should pass
- B. ought to have passed
- C. should have passed
- D. ought to be passing

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TÓM TẮT

1. **Should** nghĩa là **nên làm** một việc gì đó; Còn **“shouldn’t do something”** có nghĩa **“không nên làm”** một việc gì đó - *You look tired. You **should** go to bed.*
2. Ta thường dùng **should** trong các tình huống sau:
 - Một việc gì đó không ổn, không giống như ta mong đợi - *Where’s Tina? She **should be** here by now.*
 - Diễn tả chúng ta mong đợi một việc gì đó - *Helen has been studying hard for the exam, so she **should** pass.*
3. **“Should have done”** được dùng trong tình huống chủ ngữ đã không làm một việc gì đó trong quá khứ mà anh ta nên làm vào thời điểm đó - *You missed a great party last night. You **should have come**. Why didn’t you?*
4. **“Shouldn’t have done”** được dùng trong tình huống chủ ngữ đã làm một việc gì đó trong quá khứ mà anh ta không nên làm vào thời điểm đó - *I’m feeling sick. I **shouldn’t have eaten** so much.*
5. **“Ought to do something”** hoặc **“Ought not to do something”** có thể được sử dụng tương tự như **“should”** - *Jack **ought not to go** to bed so late.*