

Do We Have To?

“Aw, come on! Let’s play one more game.”

“We can’t. We have to go home now.”

David and Betty didn’t want to leave. They were having too much fun. But helping to set the table is a rule in their family. It was getting close to suppertime. If they didn’t hurry, they’d be late.

There are other rules in their family, too. There are rules for bedtime. There are health rules. And there are rules for doing things—like taking out the garbage and cleaning up their rooms.

⑤ Like most people, David and Betty sometimes try to get out of doing what they are supposed to do. Once in a while, David “forgets” to take out the garbage. And he often complains about having to wash his hands before he eats.

There are times when Betty leaves her room in a mess because she doesn’t feel like putting away her toys. And she almost always fusses about having to go to bed before David, just because she is younger.

But most of the time, David and Betty are good about obeying the rules. They know that families everywhere have rules. It’s the only way each person can know what is expected of him. And obeying the rules makes living together easier and more enjoyable for everyone.

1. What is the main idea of the selection?
 - A Sometimes people do not know the rules.
 - B People should always obey rules.
 - C David and Betty follow all the rules.
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2. Who are the speakers in the first two sentences?
 - A the authors
 - B the parents
 - C David and Betty

3. Which statement *best* describes David?
- A David does not follow the rules sometimes.
 - B David has an older brother and an older sister.
 - C David is younger than Betty.

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4. Which statement *best* describes Betty?
- A She complains about going to bed.
 - B She is not good about obeying the rules.
 - C She likes to clean her room.

5. According to the author, what is the importance of obeying rules?
- A It makes people less forgetful.
 - B It stops children from missing meals.
 - C It makes living together easier.

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6. In paragraph 5, why is the word *forgets* in quotation marks?
- A to show that David pretends to not remember
 - B to show that David really does not remember
 - C to show that David lost his homework

7. What will David and Betty *most likely* decide?
- A to go home and set the table
 - B to play one more game before leaving
 - C to keep playing until their parents come
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8. Which situation is *most like* David and Betty's at the beginning of the selection?
- A leaving the playground to go feed the dog
 - B leaving an aunt's house to go to the doctor's office
 - C leaving school to go on vacation

End of Sample Items

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Selection Title	Question Number	Correct Answer	Thinking Skill	Objective Number
Do We Have To?	1	B	Analyzing	2.04
Do We Have To?	2	C	Analyzing	2.05
Do We Have To?	3	A	Analyzing	2.05
Do We Have To?	4	A	Analyzing	2.05
Do We Have To?	5	C	Applying	3.01
Do We Have To?	6	A	Applying	2.04
Do We Have To?	7	A	Analyzing	3.01
Do We Have To?	8	A	Organizing	2.02