

Unit 15

1 Giving recommendations and opinions (page 101)

► *Ought to* has the same meaning as *should*, but it's more formal: Traffic signs **ought to** be obeyed. = Traffic signs **should** be obeyed.

A student committee is discussing rules for their school. Complete speaker B's sentences with appropriate passive modals. (More than one answer is possible.)

- A: Students must be required to clean off the cafeteria tables after lunch.
B: I disagree. Students *shouldn't be required* to do that. That's what the cafeteria workers are paid to do.
- A: Teachers shouldn't be allowed to park in the student parking lot.
B: Why not? Teachers to park wherever a space is available. After all, they're here for us.
- A: A rule has to be made to ban the use of cell phones in school.
B: I don't think a rule Students may need their phones for emergency purposes.
- A: Students mustn't be permitted to use calculators during math exams.
B: Sometimes we to use them, especially when we're being tested on more complicated concepts than simple arithmetic.
- A: Something has got to be done to control the noise in the hallways.
B: Students to talk to each other between classes, though. They aren't disturbing anyone when classes aren't in session.
- A: Teachers must be required to remind students about important exams.
B: That's unnecessary. On the contrary, students to follow the syllabus and check important dates on the course websites.

2 Tag questions for opinions (page 103)

► Tag questions added to statements in the simple present and simple past use the corresponding auxiliary verb in the tag: You **agree** with me, **don't** you? You **don't agree** with me, **do** you? You **paid** the rent, **didn't** you? You **didn't pay** the electric bill, **did** you?

Check (✓) the sentences if the tag questions are correct. If they're incorrect, write the correct tag questions.

- Food is getting more and more expensive, is it? *isn't it*.....
- Supermarkets should try to keep their prices down, shouldn't they? ✓.....
- People don't buy as many fresh fruits and vegetables as they used to, do we?
- We have to buy healthy food for our children, don't we?
- Many children go to school hungry, won't they?
- Some people can't afford to eat meat every day, don't they?
- We can easily live without eating meat every day, can we?
- A lot of people are having a hard time making ends meet these days, haven't they?