

JAMAICAN CREOLE WORD OF THE WEEK:



“**HAFFI**” VERB
/’HAFI/

Etymology:

Probably formed within English, by compounding. Perhaps a variant or alteration of another lexical item.

Etymons: have v., fi prep.; English have to.

Definition:

Have to (preceding a verb in the infinitive: see have v. VII). Cf. fi prep.

Example:

Patois: Mi haffi guh a wuk tomorrow.

English: I have to go to work tomorrow.



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