

isn't, haven't, don't, etc. (negatives)

A

We use **not** (**n't**) in negative sentences:

Positive → *Negative*

am	am not ('m not)	■ I'm not tired.
is	is not (isn't or 's not)	■ It isn't (or It's not) raining.
are	are not (aren't or 're not)	■ They aren't (or They're not) here.
was	was not (wasn't)	■ Brian wasn't hungry.
were	were not (weren't)	■ The stores weren't open.
have	have not (haven't)	■ I haven't finished my work.
has	has not (hasn't)	■ Sue hasn't been to Mexico.
will	will not (won't)	■ We won't be here tomorrow.
can	cannot (can't)	■ George can't drive.
could	could not (couldn't)	■ I couldn't sleep last night.
should	should not (shouldn't)	■ You shouldn't work so hard.
would	would not (wouldn't)	■ I wouldn't like to be an actor.
must	must not	■ They must not have a car.

B

don't / doesn't / didn't

Simple present negative

I/we/you/they
he/she/it

do not (don't)
does not (doesn't)

work/live/go, etc.

Simple past negative

I/they/he/she, etc.

did not (didn't)

Positive → *Negative*

I want to go out.	→	I don't want to go out.
They work hard.	→	They don't work hard.
Liz plays the guitar.	→	Liz doesn't play the guitar.
My father likes his job.	→	My father doesn't like his job.
I got up early this morning.	→	I didn't get up early this morning.
They worked hard yesterday.	→	They didn't work hard yesterday.
We played tennis.	→	We didn't play tennis.
Diane had dinner with us.	→	Diane didn't have dinner with us.

Don't . . .

Look!	→	Don't look!
Wait for me.	→	Don't wait for me.

Sometimes **do** is the main verb (**don't do / doesn't do / didn't do**):

Do something!	→	Don't do anything!
Sue does a lot on weekends.	→	Sue doesn't do much on weekends.
I did what you said.	→	I didn't do what you said.

44.1 Make these sentences negative.

1. He's gone out. *He hasn't gone out.*
2. They're married. _____
3. I've had dinner. _____
4. It's cold today. _____
5. We'll be late. _____
6. You should go. _____

44.2 Make these sentences negative. Use *don't/doesn't/didn't*.

1. She saw me. *She didn't see me.*
2. I like cheese. _____
3. They understood. _____
4. He lives here. _____
5. Go away! _____
6. I did the dishes. _____

44.3 Make these sentences negative.

1. She can swim. *She can't swim.*
2. They've arrived. _____
3. I went to the bank. _____
4. He speaks Japanese. _____
5. We were angry. _____
6. He'll be happy. _____
7. Call me tonight. _____
8. It rained yesterday. _____
9. I could hear them. _____
10. I believe you. _____

44.4 Complete these sentences with a negative verb (*isn't/haven't/don't*, etc.).

1. They aren't rich. They *don't* have much money.
2. "Would you like something to eat?" "No, thank you. I _____ hungry."
3. I _____ find my glasses. Have you seen them?
4. Steve _____ use e-mail much. He'd rather talk on the phone.
5. We can walk to the station from here. It _____ very far.
6. "Where's Jane?" "I _____ know. I _____ seen her today."
7. Be careful! _____ fall!
8. We went to the movies last night. I _____ like the movie very much.
9. I've been to Japan many times, but I _____ been to South Korea.
10. Julia _____ be here tomorrow. She'll be out of town.
11. "Who broke that window?" "Not me. I _____ do it."
12. We didn't see what happened. We _____ looking at the time.
13. Lisa bought a new coat a few days ago, but she _____ worn it yet.
14. You _____ drive so fast. It's dangerous.

44.5 You ask Gary some questions. He answers "Yes" or "No." Write sentences about Gary, positive or negative.

You



Gary

- Are you married?
Do you live in Los Angeles?
Were you born in Los Angeles?
Do you like Los Angeles?
Would you like to live someplace else?
Can you drive?
Have you traveled abroad?
Do you read the newspaper?
Are you interested in politics?
Do you usually watch TV at night?
Did you watch TV last night?
Did you go out last night?

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| No. | 1. | <i>He isn't married.</i> |
| Yes. | 2. | <i>He lives in Los Angeles.</i> |
| No. | 3. | _____ |
| No. | 4. | _____ |
| Yes. | 5. | _____ |
| Yes. | 6. | _____ |
| No. | 7. | _____ |
| No. | 8. | _____ |
| No. | 9. | _____ |
| Yes. | 10. | _____ |
| No. | 11. | _____ |
| Yes. | 12. | _____ |