

# 16 More negatives

Add “do not” or “does not” before most verbs in English to make them negative. This is often shortened to “don’t” or “doesn’t.”

 **New language** Present simple negative

 **Vocabulary** Daily activities

 **New skill** Saying what you don’t do

## 16.1 KEY LANGUAGE PRESENT SIMPLE NEGATIVE

Put “do not” before the verb to make the negative for “I,” “you,” “we,” or “they.” After “he,” “she,” or “it,” use “does not.”

**I work outside.**

**I do not work outside.**

**I work inside.**



The main verb does not change.

**He works inside.**

**He does not work inside.**

**He works outside.**



## 16.2 FURTHER EXAMPLES PRESENT SIMPLE NEGATIVE



**You do not have** a laptop.



**We do not start** work at 8am.



**He does not live** in Los Angeles.



**The house does not have** a backyard.



## 16.3 HOW TO FORM PRESENT SIMPLE NEGATIVE

Use “do” or “does” with “not” followed by the base form of the main verb (the infinitive without “to”).

SUBJECT

I / You / We / They

“DO / DOES” + “NOT”

do not

BASE FORM

work

REST OF SENTENCE

outside.

He / She / It

does not



## 16.4 FILL IN THE GAPS USING "DO NOT" OR "DOES NOT"

She does not go to the gym on Thursdays.

- 1 I                    read the papers on Saturday.
- 2 The dog                    eat fish.
- 3 They                    go to the theater often.
- 4 Ben and I                    live on a farm now.
- 5 Theo                    cycle to work.
- 6 You                    work at Fabio's café.
- 7 Claire                    watch TV in the evening.
- 8 We                    play football at home.
- 9 Pierre                    wake up before noon.



## 16.5 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS



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Frank talks about his daily and weekly routines.

Frank works in a store on Queen Street.

True  False

- 1 Frank gets up at 5am.

True  False

- 2 Frank has lunch at 1pm every day.

True  False

- 3 Frank goes swimming on Wednesday evening.

True  False

- 4 Frank watches TV every night before bed.

True  False

## 16.6 KEY LANGUAGE CONTRACTED NEGATIVES

In English, "do not" and "does not" are often contracted to "don't" and "doesn't."

I **do not work** outside. He **does not work** outside.

I **don't work** outside. He **doesn't work** outside.



I **don't work** outside. He **doesn't work** outside.



## 16.7 FURTHER EXAMPLES PRESENT SIMPLE NEGATIVE: SHORT FORMS



You **don't play** soccer.



She **doesn't speak** English.



We **don't want** that cake.



He **doesn't live** near here.





## 16.8 FILL IN THE GAPS TO WRITE EACH SENTENCE THREE DIFFERENT WAYS

I get up at 7am.

I do not get up at 7am.

I don't get up at 7am.

1 \_\_\_\_\_

We don't go to work every day.

2 \_\_\_\_\_

He does not watch TV in the evening.

\_\_\_\_\_

3 You work in an office.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

They don't play tennis.

5 \_\_\_\_\_

She does not work with children.

\_\_\_\_\_



## 16.9 REWRITE THE SENTENCES, CORRECTING THE ERRORS

He **don't** play soccer on Saturdays.

He doesn't play soccer on Saturdays.

1 We **doesn't** work with animals.

2 I **doesn't** eat chocolate.

3 Sandy **don't** work in a hairdresser's.

4 Melanie and Cris **doesn't** have a car.

5 They **doesn't** live in Park Road now.

6 We **doesn't** watch Hollywood movies.

7 She **don't** drive a taxi.



## 16.10 USE THE CHART TO CREATE 12 CORRECT SENTENCES AND SAY THEM OUT LOUD

I don't work outside.



I  
You  
We  
Meg

don't  
doesn't

work outside.  
have a bicycle.  
play tennis.



## 16.11 READ THE ARTICLE AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

**Maria**  
I live in an apartment in the city and I cycle to work every day. I work from Monday to Friday in an office, so I don't go outside much during the day. I always eat breakfast and lunch. I go to the gym after work because I don't move a lot in my job.

**Kim**  
I live in the countryside and I drive to work every day. I'm a gardener, so I work outside. I usually have a sandwich for lunch. I go swimming once or twice a week. I sometimes swim in rivers and lakes near my house. The water is cold, but it's a lot of fun.

**Chiyo**  
I'm an actress and I live in Tokyo. I'm in a TV show called *Different People*. I work inside, in a TV studio, and I always have lunch at noon. I work for 15 hours on Mondays and Tuesdays, but I don't work from Wednesday to Sunday. My show is on TV on Fridays.

**Selma**  
I'm a chef and I work in the kitchen of a restaurant in New York. I live above the restaurant. I start work at 2pm and I work until midnight. I don't eat lunch, but I always eat dinner at 6pm before the customers arrive. I work six days a week from Tuesday to Sunday.

Who doesn't live in a city?

Maria  Kim  Chiyo  Selma

1 Who works outside?

Maria  Kim  Chiyo  Selma

2 Who doesn't eat lunch?

Maria  Kim  Chiyo  Selma

3 Who doesn't work on Thursday?

Maria  Kim  Chiyo  Selma

4 Who goes to the gym?

Maria  Kim  Chiyo  Selma

5 Who doesn't work in the morning?

Maria  Kim  Chiyo  Selma

### 16 CHECKLIST

Present simple negative

Daily activities

Saying what you don't do