

Negatives – Alternative Structures

The following lists are common negative words, adverbs and verbs used to illustrate a negative idea:

Negative words:

✚ No	✚ Nothing
✚ Not	✚ Neither
✚ None	✚ Nowhere
✚ No one	✚ Never
✚ Nobody	

Negative Adverbs:

✚ Hardly
✚ Scarcely
✚ Barely
✚ Rarely
✚ Seldom

Negative verbs:

✚ Doesn't	✚ Couldn't
✚ Isn't	✚ Won't
✚ Wasn't	✚ Can't
✚ Shouldn't	✚ Don't
✚ Wouldn't	

Exercises: Look at the following sentences and make them all negative. Try and use as many different structures as you can:

1. I watch Netflix every night.
2. We play tennis.
3. It is boring.
4. She cleans her room.
5. You ride your bicycle every weekend.
6. Diana takes nice photos.
7. They open the windows.
8. He buys a new smartphone.
9. I am late.
10. She has a cat.
11. We have a new house.
12. They go to work at 8am every day.
13. Rosy plays videogames.
14. My brother is fat.