

Grammar Station

Present Simple: Negative

* We put **do not** or **does not** before the base verb to make negative sentences.

Positive		Negative		
Subject	Verb	Subject	Do/Does + Not	Base Verb
I		I		
You	run.	You	do not (=don't)	
We		We		
They		They		run.
He		He		
She	runs.	She	does not (=doesn't)	
It		It		

 I don't eat rice.
I eat bread.

 She doesn't study science.
She studies math.

 We don't play soccer.
We play baseball.

 It doesn't eat meat.
It eats leaves.

Match the subject pronouns with don't or doesn't.

1. you	•  don't	• 2. it
3. he	•  doesn't	• 4. we
5. they	• 	• 6. she

A Circle the correct words.

1. She (don't / doesn't) like cheese.
2. Tim (don't / doesn't) play soccer.
3. We (don't / doesn't) eat meat.
4. He (don't / doesn't) read books.
5. It (don't / doesn't) have a tail.
6. They (don't / doesn't) buy soda.
7. Ken (don't / doesn't) watch TV.
8. I (don't / doesn't) speak Spanish.

B Complete the sentences with don't or doesn't.

1. We don't play baseball.
2. Jill read storybooks.
3. It eat fish.
4. I like milk.
5. You need the book.
6. He drink apple juice.
7. Rob and Bill work.
8. Justin know her.

C Complete the negative sentences.

1.  Mike studies music.
He doesn't study art.
2.  She drives a car.
She a truck.
3.  The fish has fins.
It wings.
4.  They wash peaches.
They pears.

Practice

A Complete the sentences.



1. My mom drinks coffee.
She doesn't drink tea.

2. We sell vegetables.
We don't sell meat.

3. The store sells mangoes.
It buys lemons.

4. I wear pants.
I don't wear skirts.

B Change and complete the sentences in negative forms.

1. I wash my hair at night.
⇒ I don't wash my hair at night.

2. Mary works on Saturdays.
⇒ Mary doesn't work on Saturdays.

3. We exercise every day.
⇒ We don't exercise every day.

4. My parents enjoy skiing.
⇒ My parents enjoy skiing.

5. Aaron studies hard.
⇒ Aaron studies hard.

C Correct the underlined words and rewrite the sentences.

1. My uncle don't drinks cola.
⇒ My uncle doesn't drink cola.

2. I doesn't listens to the radio.
⇒ I don't listen to the radio.

3. They doesn't has any money.
⇒ They don't have any money.

4. Sarah don't wants spicy food.
⇒ Sarah doesn't want spicy food.

5. Kevin and I doesn't rides bikes.
⇒ Kevin and I don't ride bikes.

Grammar in Writing

When you write in a journal, you can use the present simple to talk about regular pictures.

Complete the journal using negative forms.

I have a twin sister named Pam.
We look the same, but we are very different.
I like horror movies.
But she doesn't like them.
I play the flute every day.
She plays the flute.
She reads books every day.
I don't read any vegetables.
She eats all kinds of vegetables.
Oh, we have one thing in common.
We always study hard.
But we don't study on Sundays.



Review!

Complete the chart.

	Positive		Negative	
I	play soccer.	I	don't	play soccer.
You	work hard.	You		hard.
We	listen to the radio.	We		to the radio.
They	enjoy skiing.	They		skiing.
He	exercises every day.	He		every day.
She	drinks coffee.	She		coffee.
It	eats fish.	It		fish.