GRAMMAR

Auxiliary verbs





Auxiliary verbs are verbs which we use with main verbs in different tenses in English. We use do in the present simple for negatives, questions and short answers.

My sister doesn't like reading on a tablet.

Do you like taking photos? Yes, I do.

We use did in the past simple for negatives, questions and short answers.

We didn't phone you last night.

Did you go to the park? No, I didn't.

We use be in the present continuous for all forms.

James is using my tablet at the moment.

They aren't buying a new laptop.

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1 Complete the sentences with the correct negative auxiliary verb.

- 1 She ... doing her homework at the moment.
- 2 They ... go to the cinema yesterday.
- 3 Dad ... usually play computer games.
- 4 I ... going to school today.
- 5 You ... doing the right exercise.
- 6 We ... often go shopping after school.

Write questions in the present simple, present continuous or past simple.

- 1 Lucy / drop / her mobile / yesterday Did Lucy drop her mobile yesterday?
- 2 Lucy/like/her mobile
- 3 where/she/go/now
- 4 her dad/go/to work/at the moment
- 5 what type of phone / Lucy / want
- 6 Lucy and her dad / like / the same phone

