

Inductive Grammar Chart

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GRAMMAR. Negative yes / no questions; Why don't . . . ?

Look at these examples of negative yes / no questions.

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| a. Isn't Jane a vegetarian? | Yes, she is. |
| Didn't he go on a diet last week? | Yes, but he changed his mind. |
| b. Don't you love Italian food? | Yes. It's delicious! |
| Wasn't that a terrible dinner? | Actually, no. I thought it was good. |
| c. Aren't you going to have cake? | I'm sorry. I'm on a diet. |
| Hasn't he tried the chicken? | No. He's a vegetarian. |

FIGURE IT OUT . . .

Which pair of questions above is an example of each of the following? Write the letters of the pairs in the blanks.

1. When you want someone to agree with you: _____
2. To express surprise: _____
3. To check information you think is true: _____

Look at these examples with Why don't . . . ?

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| Why don't you have some more tea? | Thanks. |
| Why don't we sit down? | Great idea. |

FIGURE IT OUT . . .

Circle the correct answer to complete these grammar rules.

1. Use Why don't . . . ? to (ask a question / make a suggestion).
2. Why don't we . . . ? has the same meaning as (Let's / Could you).

Grammar practice Complete each negative yes / no question.

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| 1 A: you allergic to tomatoes?
B: Me? No. You're thinking of my brother. | 4 A: your husband been on a diet?
B: Yes. But it's been driving him crazy. |
| 2 A: that lunch yesterday delicious?
B: It was fantastic! | 5 A: asparagus disgusting?
B: Actually, I like it. |
| 3 A: we already have steak this week?
B: Yes, we did. | 6 A: you like your pasta?
B: Actually, it was a little too spicy for me. |