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Unit 4 ADJECTIVES, ADVERBS, CONJUNCTIONS, AND PREPOSITIONS

Lesson 36: Negatives (pp. 160–163)

Remember

Words that mean “no” are **negatives**. The words *no*, *not*, *nothing*, *none*, *never*, *no one*, *nowhere*, and *nobody* are negatives. Constructions with *not*, such as *aren’t*, *doesn’t*, and *haven’t*, are also negatives. The word *not* is an adverb. A negative idea is expressed by using one negative word. Do not use a double negative.

Write the word in parentheses that correctly completes each sentence.

1. Ryan hasn’t taken (no, any) piano lessons this year. _____
2. Kyla wasn’t (never, ever) in the hospital. _____
3. We had a bushel of apples, but Mrs. Davies didn’t want (any, none). _____
4. Mr. Diaz won’t let (no one, anyone) use the power tools. _____
5. No one (wouldn’t, would) have guessed the answer. _____
6. Some people cannot (never, ever) remember a joke. _____
7. Why didn’t (nobody, anybody) call me about the schedule change? _____
8. The customers won’t (never, ever) agree to pay that much. _____
9. The house isn’t vacant (no, any) longer. _____
10. Why doesn’t (nobody, anybody) believe me? _____
11. There is (nothing, anything) wrong with this outline. _____
12. Dad never adds sugar to his cereal (either, neither). _____
13. No amount of pushing (couldn’t, could) get us moving. _____
14. We don’t remember (anything, nothing) about the flood. _____
15. Didn’t (nobody, anybody) help that poor child in the rain? _____