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