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# Double Negatives

Double negative means using two negative words in the same sentence. Because the two negatives contradict each other, it can confuse readers. The examples below show two ways to correct a double negative:

**Double Negative:** I don't like no bugs.

**Single Negative:** I don't like bugs.  
I like no bugs.



Put an X next to the sentences that contain a double negative.

- \_\_\_ 1. I haven't never been to Paris.
- \_\_\_ 2. The cats didn't not sleep this afternoon.
- \_\_\_ 3. They weren't barely awake.
- \_\_\_ 4. Hugh didn't not call you.
- \_\_\_ 5. There isn't no milk.
- \_\_\_ 6. We never won't get into trouble for this.
- \_\_\_ 7. Kim has hardly gotten started.
- \_\_\_ 8. My name isn't not George.