

Affirmation / Negation

Negation = head nod for 'no'

Affirmation = head not for 'yes'

Simple sentences for affirmation and negation:

* These verbs are different for the affirmative and negative forms. You need to remember these well.

Affirmation	Negation
I like* that	I don't like* that
I want it	I don't want it
You can* do that	You can't* do that
He understand me	She does not understand me
That is true	That is not true
I am hearing	I am not hearing
She is happy	He is not happy
I work here	I don't work here
He enjoys his job	She does not enjoy her job
That is allowed	That is not allowed
I know* her	I don't know* you
Yes that is possible*	No that is not possible*
They are ready	She is not ready
Yes, he is here	No, they won't be coming today
I am worried about her	You don't need to worry
I can drive a van	I never had a van

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Other signs for which affirmation and negation can be used:

Appropriate	Inappropriate
Agree	Disagree
Suitable	Not suitable / Unsuitable
Will	Wont
Able	Unable
Working	Not working
Broken	Not broken
Interesting	Not interesting
Well	Not well
Well organised	Not well organised
Pleased	Not pleased
Busy	Not busy

Other forms of affirmation and negations:

It's expensive **isn't it?** (true? – use MC sign –'um')

You're John **aren't you?** (right?)

Do you have any brothers / sisters?

Yes I have two brothers and three sisters. (have (yes))

No I don't have any brothers or sisters. (don't have any – use MC sign)

Do you have any newspapers?

No I don't have any newspapers. (nothing)