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Basics. Negative Questions: Surprise, Invitations, and Opinions

Medium | B1 | Intermediate | Auxiliary verb | Infinitive | Inversion | Modal verb | Negation | Past tense | Present tense | Questions | Verb | Verb tense | Progressive tense | Simple tense | Word order

1. Help Detective Crumbs interrogate his very suspicious, frosting-covered suspect.

"Let's get straight to the truth. _____ at the bakery at midnight? And _____ true that your fingerprints were found on the last chocolate donut?"

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

A) Weren't you
B) Wasn't you
C) Didn't you be

Blank 2

A) isn't it
B) doesn't it
C) hasn't it

2. Complete the friendly ghost's polite midnight invitation to the new homeowners.

"Hello there! _____ join me for a lovely cup of midnight tea in the attic?"

Select one.

A) Won't you
B) Will not you
C) Don't you will
D) Do you not

3. Listen to the panicked roommate whose taxi is arriving in five minutes! Select ALL the grammatically correct negative questions they could shout to express their surprise.

Select all that apply.

A) Haven't you packed your bags yet?
B) Aren't you going to pack your bags?
C) Have not you packed your bags yet?
D) Didn't you packed your bags yet?

4. Complete the conversation between two friends planning their weekend. Choose the correct phrases to form negative questions.

"I'm so bored, so why _____ go to that new alien-themed cafe downtown?"

"That sounds fun, but _____ supposed to be really expensive?"

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

A) don't we
B) aren't we
C) haven't we

Blank 2

A) isn't it
B) doesn't it
C) hasn't it

5. Complete the sleepy roommate's morning realization.

"Wait a minute... _____ buy coffee yesterday? I could have sworn I saw a bag in your hands!"

"Oops, that was actually cat food. Well, _____ just go to the café down the street instead of panicking?"

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** Didn't you
- **B)** Did not you
- **C)** Haven't you

Blank 2

- **A)** why don't we
- **B)** why we don't
- **C)** why not we

6. These hikers are hopelessly lost in the woods and are staring blankly at their compass. Select ALL the grammatically correct negative questions they can ask to suggest an idea or state an opinion.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** Shouldn't we ask someone for directions?
- **B)** Isn't that map upside down?
- **C)** Shouldn't we to ask someone for directions?
- **D)** Is not that map upside down?

7. Help the concert-goer ask their friend to confirm what they are seeing.

"Look at the stage! _____ your brother playing the drums for the opening band?"

Select one.

- **A)** Doesn't that
- **B)** Aren't that
- **C)** Is not that
- **D)** Isn't that

8. Help Count Vlad be a hospitable (and slightly suspicious) neighbor! Select ALL the grammatically correct negative questions he could use to invite someone in for a midnight snack.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** Won't you come inside for a bite?
- **B)** Why don't you join me for dinner?
- **C)** Will not you come inside for a bite?
- **D)** Why you don't join me for dinner?

9. Help the stressed party planner complete their text messages to a friend. Choose the correct words to complete the negative questions.

I'm officially panicking! Why _____ order the cake yesterday?

Also, please tell me, _____ arriving at 6 PM? We are not ready!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** didn't you
- **B)** haven't you
- **C)** weren't you

Blank 2

- **A)** aren't they
- **B)** don't they
- **C)** won't they

10. Complete the hungry roommate's shocked complaint.

"You ate the last slice?! _____ the giant sticky note I left on the pizza box?"

Select one.

A) Did not you see
B) Didn't you see
C) Did you not saw
D) Not did you see