

How to Use Don't and Doesn't?

Worksheet

Use 'don't' with I/you/we/they (I don't like it) and 'doesn't' with he/she/it (She doesn't like it) to negate present tense verbs. Both mean 'do not' and 'does not' respectively.

Questions

1. Negate: 'She likes ice cream.'
A) She don't like ice cream.
B) She doesn't like ice cream.
C) She not likes ice cream.
D) She doesn't likes.
2. Negate: 'I understand this.'
A) I doesn't understand.
B) I don't understand this.
C) I not understand this.
D) I not understand.
3. Which is correct?
A) You doesn't like it.
B) You don't like it.
C) You not like it.
D) You doesn't likes.
4. What does 'doesn't' expand to?
A) do not
B) does not
C) did not
D) will not
5. Make negative: 'You like chocolate.'
6. Make negative: 'He plays tennis.'
7. Make negative: 'They go to school.'
8. Define: How to negate present tense?
9. Define: When to use don't?
10. Define: When to use doesn't?

Answer Key

1. B) She doesn't like ice cream. — She (singular) uses doesn't: She doesn't like ice cream.
2. B) I don't understand this. — I (first person) uses don't: I don't understand this.
3. B) You don't like it. — You uses don't: You don't like it.
4. B) does not — Doesn't = does not (singular negation).
5. Subject: You (uses don't) Negation: don't + base verb Negative: You don't like chocolate.
6. Subject: He (uses doesn't) Negation: doesn't + base verb (remove -s) Negative: He doesn't play tennis.
7. Subject: They (uses don't) Negation: don't + base verb Negative: They don't go to school.
8. Use don't or doesn't: I don't, she doesn't.
9. With I, you, we, they: I don't know.
10. With he, she, it: He doesn't know.

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