

Informal Negative Commands

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To make a negative command, do the following:

1. Take the present tense "yo" form of the verb.
2. Remove the "o" (or "oy" in the verb *estar*).
3. For -ar verbs, add -es; for -er and -ir verbs, add -as

Don't speak! = ¡

Don't eat! = ¡

Don't write! = ¡

Don't buy the fish! = ¡

Don't sell the house! = ¡

Don't open the door! = ¡

This is tricky. How do you say?

Don't play the piano! = ¡

Don't play baseball! = ¡

Don't begin the lesson! = ¡

Write the negative informal commands:

1. Don't look! _____

3. Don't study! _____

2. Don't sing! _____

4. Don't run! _____

5. Don't think! _____

6. Don't drink the water! _____

7. Don't arrive late! _____

8. Don't practice now! _____

9. Don't pay the bill! _____

10. Don't organize the papers! _____

11. Don't read my diary! _____

12. Don't dance on the table! _____

13. Don't open the windows! _____

14. Don't admit anything! _____

15. Don't believe anything! _____

There are very few irregular informal commands. Listed below are the most common of these in both their affirmative and negative forms.

infinitive	affirmative	negative
decir hacer ir poner salir ser tener venir		

c. **Sí, mamá.** Hoy es sábado y los padres de Susana tienen que ir a la oficina a trabajar. ¿Qué le dice su madre antes de salir?

MODELO: Escucha lo que te digo.

VOCABULARIO ÚTIL:

ser	tener	volver	poner	decir	salir
jugar	ir	pedir	escuchar	limpiar	hacer

1. _____ tu cuarto antes de salir.
2. _____ tu ropa en el armario.
3. _____ cuidado con las fotos en la mesita.
4. _____ de la casa antes de las 10:00.
5. _____ al correo para enviar las cartas.
6. _____ “buenos días” y “adiós” a todos en el correo.
7. _____ a casa antes de las 11:00.
8. _____ buena con tu hermanita.
9. _____ con ella por una hora por la tarde.
10. _____ tu tarea antes de ver la tele.