

Standard and Non-Standard English



Standard English is the type of English you should use in your **written** work. It helps make your writing **clearer**.

Standard
English



Did you see **anything**?

I **have not** found him.

non-Standard
English

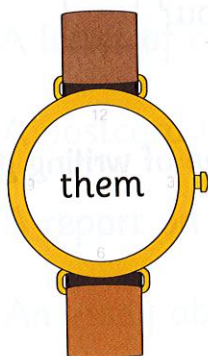


I **didn't** see **nothing**.

We **ain't** found him.

1

Draw lines to show which word **completes** these sentences in **Standard English**.



I've asked Paul to speak to farmers.

Penny hasn't heard back from yet.

How did potatoes get there?

Kathy will pick up from the station.

I hate peas, but my sister Roz loves



2

Write '**2**' next to the **double negative** sentences and '**1**' next to those with **one negative**.

Nobody can do nothing to stop the floods.

☐

I haven't got no time to do my homework.

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Joseph couldn't find anywhere to stay.

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Maria doesn't want nobody to leave yet.

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Don't do nothing until we get to the party.

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You can't tell anyone what I said.

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Mum said I mustn't climb trees no more.

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A double negative
is **non-Standard**
English.