

Transformation of Affirmative

Sentence into Negative

Sentence & Negative

Sentence into Affirmative

Sentence

(1) He is a poor man. (Affirmative)

He is not a rich man. (Negative)

(2) It is a difficult task. (Affirmative)

It is not an easy task. (Negative)

(3) Everybody was present yesterday. (Affirmative)

Nobody was absent yesterday. (Negative)

(4) She failed to notice him. (Affirmative)

She did not notice him. (Negative)

(5) Geeta was unable to win the prize. (Affirmative)

Geeta could not win the prize. (Negative)

(6) I dislike these things. (Affirmative)

I don't like these things. (Negative)

(7) He decided to ignore the voice. (Affirmative)

He decided not to take notice of the voice. (Negative)

(8) The box was empty. (Affirmative)

There was nothing in the box. (Negative) OR

The box did not contain anything. (Negative)

(9) We saw only trees. (Affirmative)

We saw nothing but trees. (Negative)

(4) Mary did not like the idea of an outsider having a say in their family matter.

Ans. Mary disliked the idea of an outsider having a say in their family matter.

(5) He was not satisfied.

Ans. He was unsatisfied. OR

He was far from being satisfied. OR

He was dissatisfied.

(6) He could not understand why spring made everyone happy.

Ans. He failed to understand why Spring made everyone happy.

(7) It would be of no use to me.

Ans. It would be useless to me.

(8) The inspector had no children.

Ans. The inspector was childless.

(9) The thought of luncheon did not bother us much.

Ans. The thought of luncheon hardly bothered us.

(10) Grandpa had not followed their advice.

Ans. Grandpa had ignored their advice.

(11) They did not notice it.

Ans. They failed to notice it.

(12) The damp sea air would not be suitable for Grandpa.

Ans. The damp sea air would be unsuitable for Grandpa.

(13) There was no other way of getting out.

Ans. This was the only way of getting out.

(14) Don't be so wild.

Ans. Stop/Avoid being so wild. OR Be calm.

(15) You don't count at all.

Ans. You are totally unimportant.

(16) He had neither father nor mother.

Ans. He was an orphan.

(17) I did not pay any heed.

Ans. I ignored it.

(18) Don't come back just yet.

Ans. Stay away for a while now.

(19) He gave them almost nothing to eat.

Ans. He gave them hardly anything to eat.

(20) There isn't much time left.

Ans. There is very little time left.

1. I love you Mum and Dad.

- I don't hate you Mum and Dad.

2. She forgot her grief.

- She did not remember her grief.

3. He lived only on fruits.

- He lived on nothing but fruits.

4. It was a right thing to do,
- It was not a wrong thing to do.
5. Her tongue is rough.
- Her tongue is not smooth.
6. Meera is a good cook.
- Meera is not a bad cook.
7. I like mangoes.
- I don't hate mangoes.
8. My mother had long hair.
- My mother did not have short hair.
9. Oh honey! I am happy.
- Oh honey! I am not sad.
10. The lift came down.
- The lift did not go up.
11. He was willing to take me to my destination.
- He was not unwilling to take me to my destination.
12. He urged them to open the windows of knowledge.
- He urged them not to close the windows of knowledge.
13. Bhaurao refused to tell lies.
- Bhaurao did not agree to tell lies.
14. The sports hero is different because he performs on a big stage.
- The sports hero is not same because he performs on a big stage.
15. I am sure he will feel good.
- I have no doubt that he will feel good.
16. Remember to share it with them.
Don't forget to share it with them.
17. As soon as I scrambled out of the pool, Mala looked at me accusingly
- No sooner did I scramble out of the pool, than Mala looked at me accusingly.
18. It is cheaper than the postal route.
- The postal route is not so cheap as it.
19. The future prospects of this industry are encouraging.
- The future prospects of this industry are not discouraging.
20. Excess of everything is bad.
- Excess of everything is not good.

For Practice:

- 1. I am sure that many young boys and girls will be encouraged to pursue different sports.**
- 2. November 27, 2005 is a day he'll always remember.**
- 3. You are a brave girl.**
- 4. E-mail is delivered much faster than the conventional mail.**
- 5. The address should be correct.**

MAKE AFFIRMATIVE:

• Convert into Affirmatives / Turn into Affirmative form without changing the meaning:

- 1. Do not criticize the teachings of others.**
- Avoid criticizing the teachings of others.
- 2. Do not insult any of them.**
- Refrain from insulting any of them.
- 3. Bacteria and moulds cannot live in a strong sugar solution.**
- Bacteria and moulds can hardly live in a strong sugar solution
- 4. You obey all my orders.**
- You scarcely disobey all my orders.
- 5. I have no words.**
- I am without words.
- 6. I knew they would not be appropriate.**
- I knew they would be inappropriate.
- 7. There was no money left for wrapping paper.**
There was hardly any money left for wrapping paper.
- 8. I am not able to give alms.**
- I am unable to give alms.
- 9. Don't mention it.**
Avoid mentioning it.
- 10. It has no formula.**
- It is without any formula.
- 11. He urged teachers not to stifle creativity.**
He urged teachers to abstain from stifling creativity.
- 12. He could not spare time for teaching them.**
- He could scarcely spare time for teaching them.

13. Bhaurao did not agree to discriminate between people on the basis of caste.

Bhaurao refused to discriminate between people on the basis of caste.

14. It is not right to treat heroes as gods.

- It is wrong to treat heroes as gods.

15. There were no stories about such achievers.

- There were hardly any stories about such achievers.

16. I have no doubt that he will feel good.

- I am sure that he will feel good.

17. They didn't allow us to search for the ball.

- They forbade us from searching for the ball.

18. Father did not like the word 'circus'.

- Father hated the word 'circus'.

19. She could not pull Kala up.

- She was unable to pull Kala up.

20. E-mail is not difficult to use.

- E-mail is easy to use.

For Practice :

1. The computer does not recognize the mailing address.

2. Bhaurao did not agree to tell lies.

3. There are no rehearsals.

4. He would leave no stone unturned to reach the zenith.

5. Abhishek wasn't sure whether mother agreed or disagreed with father's methods.