Avoid Double Negatives

Grade 5 Grammar Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

Circle the sentence that uses only one negative word.

1. The class didn't learn nothing.
   The class didn't learn anything.

2. The teacher didn't scold anyone today.
   The teacher didn't scold nobody today.

3. Mia didn't see no birds. Mia didn't see any birds.

4. They won't tell anyone the secret.
   They won't tell nobody the secret.

5. He won't say nothing. He won't say anything.

6. Dad didn't buy any apples. Dad didn't buy no apples.

7. We don't have no homework.
   We don't have any homework.

8. She didn't call anyone last night.
   She didn't call nobody last night.

9. Ben didn't eat no cookies.
   Ben didn't eat any cookies.

10. Leo doesn't want anything. Leo doesn't want nothing.

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Answer Key - Grade 5 Grammar Worksheet - Building Confidence

Circle the sentence that uses only one negative word.

1. The class didn't learn nothing.
   The class didn't learn anything.

2. **The teacher didn't scold anyone today.**
   The teacher didn't scold nobody today.

3. Mia didn't see no birds. **Mia didn't see any birds.**

4. **They won't tell anyone the secret.**
   They won't tell nobody the secret.

5. He won't say nothing. **He won't say anything.**

6. **Dad didn't buy any apples.** Dad didn't buy no apples.

7. We don't have no homework.
   We don't have any homework.

8. **She didn't call anyone last night.**
   She didn't call nobody last night.

9. Ben didn't eat no cookies.
   Ben didn't eat any cookies.

10. **Leo doesn't want anything.** Leo doesn't want nothing.