

EXERCISE 16

Assertion, non assertion

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Provide one of the following labels for each of the sentences below:

assertion, positive and declarative

non-assertion, interrogative, positive

non-assertion, interrogative, negative

non-assertion, negative

Support your choice of label by evidence such as *some* or *any*.

- 1 Have you finished this chapter yet?
- 2 None of us have finished it yet.
- 3 Some of the others have finished it already.
- 4 Then why haven't you finished it yet?
- 5 Have you got much to do?
- 6 I never have much to do in the evening.
- 7 But I have quite a lot to do in the morning.
- 8 I haven't much to do in the morning, either.
- 9 I have plenty to do in the morning, too.
- 10 Haven't you got anything to do, either?

Ex. 16 Examples: 1. non-assertion, interrogative, positive (yet). 2. non-assertion, negative (yet). 3. assertion, positive, declarative (already).

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4.non-assertion, interrogative, negative(yet)

5.non-assertion, interrogative, positive

6.non-assertion, negative (never)

7.assertion, positive and declarative

8.non-assertion, negative

9.assertion, positive and declarative

10.non-assertion, interrogative, negative (not+either)

Examples : negative words used for negation:

No, not, nothing, never, no one, none, nobody, nowhere, neither, neither....nor, none of, not any

V not +either:**either** is combined with a **negative** verb and comes last in the **sentence**. (2) Mary did not pass the exam. John did not **either**.