



Monster Grammar!

Double Negatives #2

A **double negative** is a statement which contains two negative words. If two negatives are used in the same sentence, the sentence takes on the opposite meaning.

some negative words: no, not, nobody, nothing, none, never, can't, couldn't, didn't, haven't, nowhere, hardly, scarcely, barely, only

Read the sentences and circle the correct word in parentheses.

1. The werewolf (could, couldn't) **hardly** wait until midnight!
2. The lumbering ogre did not meet (nobody, anybody) on the path that night.
3. The vampire flew over houses but didn't find (nothing, anything) to bite.
4. The baby werewolf barely had (any, no) fur.
5. The vampire couldn't find innocent victims (anywhere, nowhere).
6. When the monster returned, he was not carrying (no, any) bones.
7. The vicious ogre (could, couldn't) **scarcely** find any food that night.

Monster Joke!

Q: What does a polite monster say when he meets you for the first time?

A: Pleased to eat you!

