Double Negatives

**Exercise 1  Identifying Double Negatives**

Underline the negative words in each sentence below. If a sentence contains a double negative, write *DN*. If a sentence is correct as is, write *C*.

1. My grandparents hardly never eat at restaurants.
2. They don’t have nobody to cook for them either.
3. When I suggest going out, they say they don’t want to go nowhere.
4. Luckily, nobody enjoys cooking more than they do.
5. Neither of them has never taken a cooking class or read a cookbook.
6. When she cooks, my grandmother doesn’t use no written recipes.
7. Her own mother taught her to cook, and Grandma believes that nobody could have done a better job.
8. With Grandma as my teacher, I won’t have no excuse to be a bad cook!
9. My grandfather bakes nothing but breads and desserts.
10. He brags that no one cannot cook a better apple pie than he can.

**Exercise 2  Editing Sentences**

Revise each of the sentences below to correct the double negative.

1. Do not never forget to read nutrition labels on food.

2. My mother usually won’t buy us no sugary cereals.

3. The school cafeteria doesn’t hardly ever serve pizza.

4. I haven’t never eaten raw fish.

5. The raisin pudding had barely no raisins in it.