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DO and MAKE

Do and **Make** are two of the most important verbs in English, but there are two main reasons for this:

Rules for "do":

Use "do" when you are speaking about vague, or indefinite activities. These include speaking in general, using "-thing" words like, something, anything,,...

Examples: Let's do something this evening. He didn't do anything wrong.

Use "do" for chores or daily tasks.

Examples: Did you do your homework? Let´s do the dishes.

Use "do" for various jobs and activities ending in -ing like, do some thinking, do some painting ...

Examples: She's going to do some reading. He did some thinking about the problem.

Rules for "Make"

"Make" is often used for constructing or creating something (NOT for activities).

Examples:

I made a cup of coffee for you. Did you make this wonderful building?

"Make" is often used when referring to preparing food of any kind.

Examples:

Sue is making omelets for he<mark>r ki</mark>ds. Joe made a wonderful lasag<mark>na fo</mark>r us.

Some examples for you on the next page:

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Fill in do or make:

- I need to _____ a phone call.
- Do you want to _____ a trip.
- You need to _____ your best.

The cat isn't allowed to _____ any noise.

Don't ______ the mistake of thinking he's right!

Did you _____ a snowman this winter?

Could you ______ a cup of tea for me, please?

You have to _____ your hair.

Do you want to _____ business with me?

Don't _____ her harm!

When are you going to _____ your homework?

You have to _____ your duty!

Will you _____ me an offer?

You need to ______ the dishes!

Will you ______ your homework, please?

The children aren't allowed to _____ any noise.

Did you ______ a journey this summer?

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