**Negative words and the pronouns I, me, they, and them follow specific usage rules.**

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| A negative is a word that means no or not. Use only one negative in a sentence. |
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**Word Usage**