

9-13-2021 High Beginning and Low Intermediate Lesson DO or MAKE?

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now. Finish this sentence:
I refuse to...

Pronouncing U:

The "long" U sounds like YOU.

cube	mule	pupil	menu	fuel	computer
value	rescue	argue	refuse	use	huge

The "short U" sounds like UH.

cub	cut	mud	gum	tub	duck
plug	sun	us	hug	run	bus

Read the sentence. Tell whether the underlined word is pronounced short U or long U.

1. He refused to ride on the mule.
2. The puppy is cute.
3. The music teacher has ten pupils.
4. Did you use my cup?
5. He used a tissue to get the mud off.
6. The ice cubes will melt in the tub.
7. Hugh will barbecue.
8. These signs confuse me.
9. The baby fussed all the way home.
10. The future is uncertain.
11. Don't argue with the ugly man.
12. He wore his underwear on top of his uniform.
13. Go up the usual way.
14. The utensils are under the sink.
15. The duck got on the bus with a huge umbrella.

The letters EW also make the long U sound.

few	view	knew	nephew	chew	blew
grew	drew	stew	threw	new	cashew

USING DO and MAKE: Students sometimes get confused whether they "do something" or "make something".

When we use DO...

HOUSEWORK

- **do the housework**
I do all the housework in my house.
- **do the laundry**
I do the laundry for my husband and the children.
- **do the dishes**
I make dinner and my husband does the dishes.
- **do the shopping**
I do the shopping on weekends.

EXCEPTION: make the bed = putting blankets, sheets, and pillows in the correct place so that the bed looks nice and not messy. EX: I make my bed every morning.

WORK / STUDY

- **do work**
I do a lot of work at home.
- **do homework**
You must do your homework every night.
- **do business**
We do business all over the world.
- **do a good/great/terrible job**
She does a good job organizing the office (*in this expression, "job" doesn't necessarily refer to work. It simply means the person did something well*)

TAKING CARE OF YOUR BODY

- **do exercise**
I do a half an hour of exercise every day.
- **do your hair** (= style your hair)
I do my daughter's hair before she goes to school.
- **do your nails** (= paint your nails)
My sister does my nails for me.

GENERAL GOOD OR BAD ACTIONS

- **do anything / something / everything / nothing**
You can't do everything by yourself. Let me help.
- **do well**
I think I did well in the interview.
- **do badly**
Everyone did badly on the test.
- **do good**
The Red Cross does a lot of good work.
- **do the right thing**
When I found someone's wallet on the sidewalk, I turned it in to the police because I wanted to do the right thing.

- **do your best**
Don't worry about the test, just do your best.

When we use MAKE:

FOOD

- **make breakfast/lunch/dinner**
My husband makes breakfast for me on my birthday.
- **make a sandwich**
Make me a sandwich for lunch, please.
- **make a salad**
I made a salad for the family picnic.
- **make a cup of tea**
I will make you a cup of tea.
- **make a reservation**
I made a reservation for 7:30 at the restaurant.

MONEY

- **make money**
I don't make enough money at my job.
- **make a profit**
Our company made a profit the first year.

RELATIONSHIPS

- **make friends**
I don't make friends easily
- **make fun of someone** (= tease / mock someone)
The other kids made fun of Jimmy when he got glasses.

COMMUNICATION

- **make a phone call**
Please excuse me, I need to make a phone call.
- **make a joke**
He made a joke, but it wasn't very funny and no one laughed.
- **make a point**
Dana made some good points during the meeting. I think we should consider her ideas.
- **make a bet**
I made a bet with Peter that I could do 100 push-ups.
- **make a confession**
I need to make a confession: I was the one who ate the last piece of cake.
- **make a speech**
I have to make a speech for my English class.
- **make a suggestion**
Can I make a suggestion? I think you should cut your hair shorter. It'd look great on you!
- **make an excuse**
Don't make an excuse for not doing your work. Just get it done.

- **make a promise**
I made a promise to help her whenever she needs it.
(*you can also say, "I promised to help her whenever she needs it."*)
- **make a fuss** (= demonstrate annoyance)
The children make a fuss when I make them eat vegetables.
- **make a comment**
The teacher made a comment about your good behavior.

EXCEPTION: Don't say "make a question." The correct phrase is "ask a question."

PLANS & PROGRESS

- **make plans**
We made plans to travel last year, but we couldn't go because of Covid.
- **make a decision/choice**
I've made my decision. I'm going to attend college here.
- **make a mistake**
You made a mistake on our bill. You charged us too much.
- **make progress**
You are making progress with your English. Keep practicing!
- **make an attempt / effort**
I'm making an effort to stop smoking this year.
- **make up your mind** (= decide)
Should I buy a desktop or a laptop computer? I can't make up my mind.
- **make a discovery**
Scientists made an important discovery in the area of genetics.
- **make a list**
Make a list of everything we need.
- **make sure** (= confirm)
Can you make sure we have enough copies of the report?
- **make a difference**
Teachers can make a difference in children's lives.
- **make an exception**
The teacher doesn't allow late homework. But she made an exception for me because I have been sick.

Finish these sentences:

Recently, I made a decision to...

I make a fuss when someone asks me to...

I made a promise that I would...

People should never make fun of...

For lunch, I usually make...