

BASIC REVIEW

[] IDENTIFICATION: What's this?

Is this <u>a</u> pear?	Yes, it is. No, it isn't. No, it's not.	isn't = is not, it's = it is
Is this <u>an</u> apple?		
Is this a dog <u>or</u> a cat? (<i>singular</i>)	It's <u>a</u> cat.	
Is this a pear <u>or</u> <u>an</u> apple?	It's <u>an</u> apple.	
Is this milk <u>or</u> juice? (<i>noncount</i>)	It's juice.	
Are these grapes? (<i>plural</i>)	Yes, they are. No, they aren't.	aren't = are not
Are these grapes <u>or</u> olives?	They're olives.	they're = they are

[] QUANTITY

<u>Are</u> there <u>any</u> pears? (<i>count</i>)	Yes, there <u>are</u> . No, there <u>aren't</u> .	
<u>Do</u> you <u>have</u> any pears?	Yes, I do. I have <u>many</u> pears. I have <u>some</u> pears. I have <u>a few</u> pears. No, I don't.	
<u>How many</u> pears are there?	There's <u>only one</u> left. There <u>are</u> only three left.	leftover(s) = what remains

<u>Is</u> there <u>any</u> sugar? (<i>noncount</i>)	Yes, there <u>is</u> . No, there <u>isn't</u> .	
<u>How much</u> sugar <u>is</u> there?	There's <u>a lot of</u> sugar. (<i>emphasis</i>) There's <u>much</u> sugar. (<i>objective</i>) There's <u>some</u> sugar. There's <u>a little</u> (bit) left. (<i>emphasis</i>) There <u>isn't much</u> left. (<i>objective</i>) there's = there is	

[] LIKE / WANT (desire) / WOULD LIKE (preference)

I <u>like</u> pears, but I <u>don't like</u> apples.	don't = do not
I <u>want</u> to go, but I <u>don't want</u> to spend my money.	
I <u>would like</u> to visit Canada, but I <u>wouldn't like</u> to live there.	wouldn't = would not

[] CAN (ability) / CAN'T (inability)

Can you swim?	Yes, I can. No, I can't. No, I cannot.	can't = cannot (<i>one word</i>)
<u>How well</u> can you swim?	I can swim <u>very well</u> . I can swim <u>well</u> . I can swim <u>a little</u> .	
(How) can I help you? (<i>at the store</i>)		can (casual) ⇔ may (formal)
Can I speak to John? (<i>on the phone</i>)		