

# Changing Sentences:

## First to Third Person

**Directions:** Read the story and then change the sentences so that it is about a woman named Sharon. Rewrite each of the sentences on the lines below. (Reading and rewriting will help your English improve quickly.)

When you are finished, you can check page 3 to see the answer to see the answer.

The first three sentences are done for you.

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Do you like to exercise? I don't. As a matter of fact, I hate it. However, I feel exercise is very important for my health. My favorite forms of exercise are: pushing buttons on the remote control while I watch television, lifting the tabs off diet soda cans to strengthen my wrists and stretching my arms to the top kitchen cabinet to remove a bag of potato chips. This is great for my upper torso. I also enjoy sports. I sweat when I watch tennis competitions. I focus on the ball in baseball in order to watch the player hit it, and I exercise my vocal chords when my favorite basketball team wins a game. I find the sport of football too dangerous, so I avoid the ESPN station on cable during the NFL playoffs. It is important for me to get a good cardio-vascular workout, so I walk my dog at a brisk pace. I have to be cautious not to let my pet lead in order to catch a squirrel as this may be dangerous to my health and well-being. I may be dragged through my neighbor's hedges or crash into a telephone pole. I have to wear sneakers while engaging in this sport. I should wear a helmet, too.

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*Original:* Do you like to exercise? I don't. As a matter of fact, I hate it.

*Changed version:* Do you like to exercise? Sharon **doesn't**. As a matter of fact, **she hates** it.

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1. However, I feel exercise is very important for my health.

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2. My favorite forms of exercise are: pushing buttons on the remote control while I watch television, lifting the tabs off diet soda cans to strengthen my wrists and stretching my arms to the top kitchen cabinet to remove a bag of potato chips

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3. This is great for my upper torso.

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4. I also enjoy sports.

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5. I sweat when I watch tennis competitions.

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6. I focus on the ball in baseball in order to watch the player hit it, and I exercise my vocal chords when my favorite basketball team wins a game.

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7. I find the sport of football too dangerous, so I avoid the ESPN station on cable during the NFL playoffs.

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8. It is important for me to get a good cardio-vascular workout, so I walk my dog at a brisk pace.

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9. I have to be cautious not to let my pet lead in order to catch a squirrel as this may be dangerous to my health and well-being.

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10. I may be dragged through my neighbor's hedges or crash into a telephone pole.

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11. I have to wear sneakers while engaging in this sport.

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12. I should wear a helmet, too.

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### **Answer Key**

1. However, she feels exercise is very important for her health.
2. Her favorite forms of exercise are: pushing buttons on the remote control while she watches television, lifting the tabs off diet soda cans to strengthen her wrists and stretching her arms to the top kitchen cabinet to remove a bag of potato chips.
3. This is great for her upper torso.
4. She also enjoys sports.
5. She sweats when she watches tennis competitions.
6. She focuses on the ball in baseball in order to watch the player hit it, and she exercises her vocal chords when her favorite basketball team wins a game.
7. She finds the sport of football too dangerous, so she avoids the ESPN station on cable during the NFL playoffs.
8. It is important for her to get a good cardio-vascular workout, so she walks her dog at a brisk pace.
9. She has to be cautious not to let her pet lead in order to catch a squirrel as this may be dangerous to her health and well-being.
10. She may be dragged through her neighbor's hedges or crash into a telephone pole.
11. She has to wear sneakers while engaging in this sport.
12. She should wear a helmet, too.