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**COURSE NAME : 23ENT101 ENGLISH FOR ENGINEERS**

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### **UNIT II: IMPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS**



# IMPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

Imperative sentences are used to express commands/orders or requests and also to give instructions or some advice. Imperative sentences do not require a subject. Furthermore, remember that the verb used in an imperative sentence should always be in the simple present tense. Imperative sentences end with a full stop or an exclamation mark.



# IMPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

Imperative sentences can be divided into two main categories according to their nature namely,

- Positive imperative sentence
- Negative imperative sentence



# POSITIVE IMPERATIVE SENTENCE

A positive imperative sentence asks one to do something.

For example:

- Close the door.
- Call me when you get back.
- Wash the plates before you use them.



# NEGATIVE IMPERATIVE SENTENCE



A negative imperative sentence is meant to do just the opposite. A negative imperative sentence instructs one not to do something.

For example:

- Do not close the door.
- Do not call me when you get back.
- Do not wash the plates before you use them.



# CONDITIONAL IMPERATIVE SENTENCES



It include a conditional clause and are mostly in the form of complex sentences.

For example:

- If you think you are going to be late, ask your brother to drop you off.
- When you get home, call me.
- Unless you want to go through all of it again, don't do it.



# Uses of Imperative Sentences



- To make a request
- To give a command
- To lend an invitation
- To give an instruction



# Making a request

- Please help me with this.
- Please pass the salt and pepper.
- Please reserve a seat for me.





# Giving a command



- Don't leave the door open.
- Come home before sunset.
- Finish the assignment by tomorrow.



# Leading an invitation



- Kindly join us for lunch after the reception.
- Come with me for a movie.
- Let us go for a walk.



# Giving an instruction



- Sauté the onions until they turn golden brown.
- Boil the milk for at least two to three minutes.
- Stop when you see the red light.



# Example



1. \_\_\_\_\_ the application form and \_\_\_\_\_ them before Monday.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ the door when you go out.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ the lights after use.
4. Please \_\_\_\_\_ home when you are free.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ all the documents that are required for verification.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ in the ascending order of your height.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ (negative) to carry an umbrella.
8. Let's \_\_\_\_\_.



# Example

1. Fill in the applications and submit them before Monday.
2. Close the door when you go out.
3. Turn off the lights after use.
4. Please come home when you are free.
5. Carry all the documents that are required for verification.
6. Stand in the ascending order of your height.
7. Don't forget to carry an umbrella.
8. Let's play.

