

French

Describing a town [2/ 3]

- Using negatives

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Phonétique





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cyclisme





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lycée





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i **y** a

[There is/are]



de monde	people
la circulation	traffic
le bruit	noise
le chômage	unemployment
les déchets	rubbish
beaucoup (de)	a lot (of)
trop (de)	too (many of)
tellement (de)	so much
peu (de)	not much/many
plusieurs	several
assez (de)	enough (of)
rien	nothing



Negatives

Here is the first negative that we looked at:

Ne ... pas = **not** Il **n'y a pas** de restaurants (There aren't any restaurants).

These are the other examples that we have practised

Ne ... aucun = **not one** Il **n'y a aucun** restaurant (There is not one restaurant).

Ne ... rien = **nothing** Il **n'y a rien** (There is nothing).

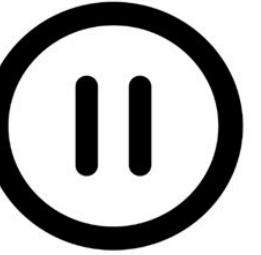
Ne ... qu'un seul = only one Il **n'y a qu'un seul** restaurant (There is only one restaurant).

Note -The words **aucun** and **seul** need to agree when used with a feminine noun.

Il n'y a aucune église - There is not one church.

Il n'y a qu'une seule gare - There is only one train station.





Describing a town

1. **Negatives go** around the verb
2. **When using aucun, feminine nouns** agree
3. **Il n'y a qu'un seul** = There is only
4. **Ne ... aucun(e)** = Not one
5. **Ne ... pas** = not
6. **Ne ... rien** = nothing

