

## Negatives with Helpers Answer Key

1. She is not studying for the test.
2. They have not finished their homework.
3. We will not present our science project tomorrow.
4. He cannot (or can't) solve the math problem.
5. I am not reading a book in class.
6. Mom was not cooking dinner when we arrived.
7. Dad has not fixed the broken chair.
8. The children are not playing outside.
9. We should not clean the living room.
10. The explorers were not climbing the mountain.
11. She might not discover the treasure in the cave.
12. They must not follow the map carefully.

### Teacher Notes:

- Remind students that helping verbs carry the **"not"** in negative sentences.
- Some modals contract naturally (*cannot* → *can't*, *do not* → *don't*, *could not* → *couldn't*).
- Extension idea: After rewriting, ask students to **add a reason** (e.g., *We will not present our project tomorrow because we need more time.*).