

- **LET** frequently introduces a suggestion or a proposition:
  - **Let's** go to the theatre tonight!
  - That's a good idea! **Let's** do that, shall we?

Notice carefully that the tag question of 'LET' in this sense is  
 . . . . **shall we?**

The negative form is '*Let's not...*'

- **Let's not** cry over spilt milk.

- **LET** very often means '*permits*' or '*allow*':
  - Father never **lets** anybody else drive the car.
  - **Let** me help you with your luggage!
  - She **didn't let** me speak.

'LET' can't normally be used in *passive* sentences.

Instead, we use '*ALLOW*' [+ *to* -infinitive]:

- After questioning he was *allowed to* go home.

#### # IMPERATIVE:

- Let me alone!
- Let me go.
- Open the door and let me in/out!
- Don't let me down.

The tag question form in a LET sentence in the imperative takes the auxiliary '*will*':

- Let me speak, **will you?**

<b>LET - LET'S (NOT) - LETS - (DON'T / DOESN'T / DIDN'T) LET</b>
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- 1) Just \_\_\_\_\_ me buy you a drink.
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ go anywhere else, shall we?
- 3) I asked him to \_\_\_\_\_ me stay a little longer.
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_ go tonight: it's too cold outside.
- 5) \_\_\_\_\_ anyone know what I've just told you.
- 6) \_\_\_\_\_ invite some friends tomorrow, shall we?
- 7) Peter shouldn't \_\_\_\_\_ gossip upset him so much.
- 8) Will you \_\_\_\_\_ me use the telephone please?
- 9) \_\_\_\_\_ go to the seaside for the weekend!
- 10) \_\_\_\_\_ stay at that dreadful hotel again!
- 11) They \_\_\_\_\_ guests have keys to their rooms, did they?
- 12) This special glass \_\_\_\_\_ us see out but other people can't see in.
- 13) Does your elder brother \_\_\_\_\_ you borrow his books?
- 14) He said he'd come to help me, but he \_\_\_\_\_ me down: he never turned up.
- 15) Don't interrupt! Please \_\_\_\_\_ me speak my mind.
- 16) She never \_\_\_\_\_ the children get up late.