DO and MAKE

Do and **Make** are two of the most important verbs in English, but there are two main reasons for this:

Rules for „do":

Use „do" when you are speaking about vague, or indefinite activities.
These include speaking in general, using „-thing" words like, something, anything,,...

Examples:
Let´s do something this evening.
He didn´t do anything wrong.

Use „do" for chores or daily tasks.

Examples:
Did you do your homework?
Let´s do the dishes.

Use „do" for various jobs and activities ending in -ing like,
do some thinking, do some painting ...

Examples:
She´s going to do some reading.
He did some thinking about the problem.

Rules for „Make"

„Make" is often used for constructing or creating something (NOT for activities).

Examples:

I made a cup of coffee for you.
Did you make this wonderful building?

„Make" is often used when referring to preparing food of any kind.

Examples:

Sue is making omelets for her kids.
Joe made a wonderful lasagna for us.

Some examples for you on the next page:

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Fill in do or make:

I need to ___make___ a phone call.

Do you want to ___make___ a trip.

You need to ___do___ your best.

The cat isn´t allowed to ___make___ any noise.

Don´t ___make___ the mistake of thinking he´s right!

Did you ___make___ a snowman this winter?

Could you ___make___ a cup of tea for me, please?

You have to ___do___ your hair.

Do you want to ___do___ business with me?

Don´t ___do___ her harm!

When are you going to ___do___ your homework?

You have to ___do___ your duty!

Will you ___make___ me an offer?

You need to ___do___ the dishes!

Will you ___do___ your homework, please?

The children aren´t allowed to ___make___ any noise.

Did you ___make___ a journey this summer?