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 he<mark>r k</mark>ids. Joe made a wonde<mark>rf</mark>ul lasagna for us.

Some examples for you on the next page:

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Fill in do or make:

I need to <u>make</u> a phone call.

Do you want to <u>make</u> a trip.

You need to <u>do</u> your best.

The cat isn't allowed to _____ any noise.

Don't <u>make</u> the mistake of thinking he's right!

Did you <u>make</u> a snowman this winter?



Could you <u>make</u> a cup of tea for me, please?

You have to <u>do</u> 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 <u>do</u> your duty!

Will you <u>make</u> me an offer?



You need to <u>do</u> the dishes!

Will you <u>do</u> your homework, please?

The children aren't allowed to __make___ any noise.

Did you <u>make</u> a journey this summer?

