

# No Puedo!

Little Miss Ocho has a big problem. Her parents are always making unreasonable demands. She is constantly having to explain to them that what they are asking for is impossible. It gets old sometimes, but Miss Ocho keeps trying to get her parents to see reason. She tells them: "No Puedo!" (I can't).

Ugh. Miss Ocho's parents are at it again. This time they want her to go to school! "No puedo!" says Little Miss Ocho, "Mis zapatos son resbaladizos." Her shoes are slippery. Clearly, she could be seriously injured if she were to go! There are 3 flights of stairs at school, each with 12 steps. Each step is 6 inches high. How far down in feet and inches would Miss Ocho fall down if she were to go to school?

This is unbelievable. Her parents now want her to go on a long walk to get some exercise. "No puedo! Tengo miedo del sol!" She is scared of the sun. Her parents want to go on a 4-mile hike. Little Miss Ocho can walk about 3 miles per hour. How many minutes of sheer terror would she have to endure if she were to go?

What is up with these parents? Did they not go to parenting school? They want Little Miss Ocho to eat her vegetables! Miss Ocho has only one thing to say about this: "No puedo! Las verduras son demasiado peludas!" They are too hairy! She dumps 12 ounces of peas, 14 ounces of broccoli, and 8 ounces of green beans into the trash. How much did she throw out in all? Express your answer in terms of pounds and ounces. Hint: there are 16 ounces in a pound.

I can hardly believe it, but now Miss Ocho's parents are asking her to do her homework! "No puedo!" says Little Miss Ocho. "Estoy demasiado ocupada!" She is too busy. Miss Ocho spends an hour and a half reading comic books. She takes a break and spends 45 minutes eating junk food. Then she spends 2 hours on the phone talking with her friend Señorita Nueve. Finally, she watches late night TV for 45 minutes before going to bed. How much time in hours and minutes did Miss Ocho spend on her busy night?

