

I command you to ...

Some commands (or *imperatives*) can be very strong. Other commands are gentler, depending on the speech verb and the punctuation.

1. Change the following sentences into commands. The first one has been done for you.

Could you keep number Thirteen out please? → Do not let number Thirteen in.

a. Could you wash the chickens?

b. Can you please help me feed them?

c. I'd like a pet with legs please.

2. Change the following commands into something more polite!

a. I want my money!

b. Give me that chicken!

c. Stop pestering me!

d. Get out!

3. On the lines below, write two sentences of your own, using speech verbs from the box below that you have not already used, to create a strong command and a gentle command.

said	yelled	screamed	bellowed	whispered	murmured	remarked
shouted	grumbled	commanded	encouraged	suggested		

a. (strong command) _____

b. (gentle command) _____
