# Never Has a Sneeze Looked So Serious

Scan to play the song

## English · C1

Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

### The grammar · Never have I… (inversion)

Find it: __ / 2

**1 · SEE IT**

**Never has a sniffle sounded so dire.**

**2 · LEARN IT**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Never have I wasted a first impression** | I have never wasted a first impression | **Never has a sneeze looked so serious** | a sneeze has never looked so serious |
| **Never did I think I'd pass** | I never thought I'd pass | **Never had my pride been handled like that** | my pride had never been handled like that |
| **Not once has my cherry pie lost** | my cherry pie has never lost, not one time | **Not once did it mention the dust** | it never mentioned the dust, not one time |

**3 · FIND IT**

Circle every example of never have I… (inversion). One line has none.

1. Not once did it mention the dust on my bookshelf.
2. Somebody say bless you.
3. Never has a sneeze looked so serious,

### 2 · Lyric Scramble

__ / 5

Number the lines 1 to 5, in song order.

- [ ] But what I typed into the search bar at three in the morning
- [ ] It started, as these things tend to, with a tickle in my nose,
- [ ] Doctor Search Engine is in, and I'm the only patient.
- [ ] A minor nasal event by any reasonable standard,
- [ ] Benji in the house, with forty-two tabs open.

### Sing it together

Play the song. Everyone sings the chorus. Then two halves take turns, line by line.

**My score** ____ / 7

**For parents:** scan to play the song at home. The app is free to try.

Free to print, copy and adapt for any class or home. Please keep this line and don't sell it. © 2026 Lingua Musica, Kevin Haws · **linguamusica.studio**

CC BY-NC 4.0

# Never Has a Sneeze Looked So Serious

English · C1 · Grammar: Never have I... (inversion) · 7 points

## Grammar · Find it (2)

1 once  2 none  3 never

## 2 · Lyric Scramble (5)

But what I typed into the search bar at three in the morning 5 · It started, as these things tend to, with a tickle in my nose, 3 · Doctor Search Engine is in, and I'm the only patient. 2 · A minor nasal event by any reasonable standard, 4 · Benji in the house, with forty-two tabs open. 1

**For the teacher**

Play the song once with the lyrics. Do "See it" and "Learn it" together; students do "Find it". Students do the 4 games alone or as homework, add up their score and hand in the sheet. Each game is also in the app's Arcade.

Free to print, copy and adapt for any class or home. Please keep this line and don't sell it. © 2026 Lingua Musica, Kevin Haws · **linguamusica.studio**

CC BY-NC 4.0