Dread the Negativity

When two negative words are used in the same sentence, it is called a double negative. The two words contradict each other, and can confuse the reader.

**Double Negative:** I haven’t got no clean clothes to wear today.

**Single Negative:** I haven’t got any clean clothes to wear today. I have no clean clothes to wear today.

**DIRECTIONS:** Choose words to fill in the blank that avoid the double negative.

___ 1. The class doesn't have _____ more room for students.
   A. no
   B. any

___ 2. I don't have ______ to take my side on in this issue.
   A. anybody
   B. nobody

___ 3. Her attitude about work ______ get her no promotion.
   A. will
   B. won’t

___ 4. After she got her hair cut, there ______ no one who knew she was a girl.
   A. was
   B. wasn’t

___ 5. There ______ no place to put the potatoes on the table.
   A. isn’t
   B. is