

## CPE GRAMMAR to/of no avail

if something you do is to no avail or of no avail, you do not succeed in getting what you want

We searched the whole area but all **to no avail**. Robbie had disappeared

## More examples:

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- Work may be done that may be to no avail.
- We searched everywhere to no avail.
- Their effort to continue life as before, as if nothing had happened, is **to no avail**.
- I protested of no avail to keep Jeff in the company.
- .• But it was to no avail
- .• Although she was treated by a vet, it was to no avail.
- But effort and reason were to no avail.