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Resumo Teórico

Some

- We use **some** with plural countable nouns and uncountable nouns in positive sentences.
Ex.: There are **some** old cars in front of school.
The children need **some** help with their luggage.
- In questions that indicate invitations, offers or requests.
Ex.: Would you like **some** tea?
Do you want **some** money?
Can you give me **some** information about the exam?
- In questions when a positive answer is expected.
Ex.: Have you got **some** homework to give me?
You look pale. Do you need **some** help?
- In the beginning of negative sentences.
Ex.: **Some** people don't like to talk about politics.
Some students didn't bring their homework to class today.

Any

- We use **any** with uncountable nouns and singular or plural countable nouns in questions.
Ex.: Are there **any** students willing to help me?
Did you find **any** information about the place where are visiting?
- In negative sentences.
Ex.: My father couldn't find **any** book that could be used in the research.
The teacher didn't bring **any** new topic to be discussed by the class.
- In sentences with words of negative context, such as *without, never, rarely, seldom, hardly, etc.*
Ex.: He said he answered the questions without **any** difficulty.
We hardly see **any** bears this time of the year.
- In affirmative sentences meaning 'whichever one you like'.
Ex.: You can borrow **any** books you want from the library.
The problem was so easy that **any** student could have solved it.
- In conditional sentences with *if* we can use either **some** or **any**.
Ex.: If you need **any** help, just give me a ring.
If you need **some** help, just give me a ring.

- Some** and **any** can also be used alone, without nouns, as pronouns, following the rules of use of each one of them.
Ex.: If you want **some** coffee, I'll make **some**.
Was there **any** milk left in the fridge? ~
No, I couldn't find **any**.

NO

- We use **no** with singular or plural countable nouns or uncountable noun, in sentences with the verb in the affirmative form. **No** must always be followed by a noun.
Ex.: There is **no** available seat in the room.
Let's go home.
There are **no** emails for you today. I am sorry.
- In English, it is not possible to use two negative words in the same sentence. Therefore, every time **not ... any** is applied, the sentence can be rewritten with **no**. The use of **no** is considered more formal.
Ex.: I **don't** have **any** idea where the club is.
I have **no** idea where the club is.
- None** is a pronoun, used alone, meaning **no + noun**.
Ex.: I bought **some** books downtown, but I have read **none** so far.
The police found the suspects, but **none** admitted the crime.
- We should use **no** before subject nouns.
Ex.: **No** smoking is allowed in the vicinity.
No acceptable explanation was given by the authorities.

Compounds (Indefinite Pronouns)

	A People	B Things	C Places
some	Somebody / someone	Something	somewhere
any	Anybody / anyone	anything	anywhere
no	Nobody / no one (no-one)	nothing	nowhere
every	Everybody / everyone	everything	everywhere

- The compounds in English follow the same rules applied for **some**, **any**, **no** and **every**. The compounds are used as pronouns, so they can never be followed by a noun.
Ex.: They couldn't find **anything** interesting in that old town.
She said **something** I couldn't understand.
There is **nothing** wrong with the washing machine. It must be something else.
- The compounds formed with *body* or *one* mean the same, following the rules of usage explained before.
Ex.: Is **anybody** / **anyone** interested in coming to the beach with us?
Nobody / **no one** came out to give us support after the accident.
- The compounds formed with *thing* mean the same, following the rules of usage explained before.
Ex.: They noticed **something** strange on the road and decided to call off the expedition.
Are you looking for **anything** suspicious?
- Compounds should be followed with verbs in the singular form, but the reference should be done with pronouns in the plural form.
Ex.: **Somebody** washed the dishes, didn't **they**?
If you see **anybody** in the room, tell **them** the class was canceled.
Nobody deserves to be treated like that, do **they**?
- We can use the pronouns *he*, *she*, *him*, *her*, *his*, *hers*, etc to refer to compounds formed with **body/one** if we know the person's sex.
Ex.: **Someone** left **her** purse behind.
Somebody forgot to take **his** trousers out of the hotel.
- Compounds formed *with* where refer to places and follow the same rules as the ones formed with **body/one** or **thing**.
Ex.: They could have stayed **anywhere** they wanted.
They decided to stop **nowhere** else as they were all exhausted.
- Adjectives can be used after compounds.
Ex.: **Something important** should be done concerning the victims of the accident.
Is there **anything interesting** in this magazine?



Exercícios

01. Complete the sentences with **some** or **any**. Sometimes either word is possible.
- There are _____ people outside who want to talk to you.
 - I like _____ water sports, but not all of them.
 - Can you buy _____ milk when you go downtown?
There's hardly _____ left.
 - Could I have _____ more coffee, please? ~ Yes, of course.
 - I haven't got _____ money. ~ Would you like me to lend you _____?
 - If you need _____ more information, please ask me.
 - Phone me _____ time you like tomorrow. I'll be at home all day.
 - I've done _____ revision for the exams, but not much.
 - _____ museums aren't worth visiting, but others are incredible.
 - Tell me if you want _____ help.

02. I can't go to a party. I haven't got _____ to wear.
- anything
 - everything
 - something
 - nothing
 - anywhere
03. If you want some apples, I'll get you _____ at the shop.
- any
 - none
 - some
 - one
 - a
04. What color shall we have? ~ I don't mind. Pick _____ color you like.
- some
 - any
 - no
 - what
 - none
05. _____ has left a bicycle outside.
- Anyone
 - Anything
 - Someone
 - Something
 - Anywhere
06. Would you like _____ to give you a hand?
- no one
 - something
 - anything
 - nothing
 - someone
07. Assinale a alternativa que preenche corretamente a lacuna da frase a seguir:
- "Why didn't you buy that sweater? It was such a good offer!"
"Because I didn't have _____ money on me."
- a
 - no
 - any
 - some
 - none
08. Assinale a alternativa que preenche corretamente a lacuna da frase a seguir:
- Those organisms pose _____ danger to human life.
- any
 - none
 - no
 - not
 - no one
09. Complete o diálogo:
- Would you like _____ apples?
 - No, thank you, I don't want _____ apple.
 - And you?
 - Yes, I'd like _____.
- some – any – any
 - an – any – no
 - any – no – some
 - some – any – some
 - an – some – any



10. Assinale a alternativa que preenche corretamente a lacuna da frase a seguir:

Go away now and come back _____ other day.

- A) some
- B) something
- C) anything
- D) nothing
- E) no

11. Assinale a alternativa que preenche corretamente a lacuna da frase a seguir:

There were _____ thirty-five applicants to the job.

- A) somebody
- B) anybody
- C) some
- D) sometime
- E) any

12. Assinale a alternativa que preenche corretamente a lacuna da frase a seguir:

His house is _____ across Park Avenue.

- A) something
- B) no
- C) any
- D) somewhere
- E) some

13. Assinale a alternativa que preenche corretamente a lacuna da frase a seguir:

_____ must be stamped on his mind: he is so odd today!

- A) Something
- B) Some
- C) Somebody
- D) Somewhere
- E) Anything

14. Assinale a alternativa que preenche corretamente a lacuna da frase a seguir:

I've looked for your pen _____ but I couldn't find it _____.

- A) somewhere / nowhere
- B) everything / nowhere
- C) anywhere / somewhere
- D) everywhere / anywhere
- E) nowhere / nowhere

15. Assinale a alternativa que preenche corretamente a lacuna da frase a seguir:

Everybody _____ to be succeeded.

- A) wanting
- B) wants
- C) are want
- D) want
- E) is wanting

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E	C	C	D	A
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C	D	A	D	B

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