

GRAMMAR

# *Some and any*

**LEVEL**

Elementary (A2)

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**LANGUAGE**

English

## Learning outcomes

- I can distinguish between 'some' and 'any'.
- I can use 'some', 'any' and 'no' correctly in a simple conversation.



# Some

- We use **some** with plural or uncountable nouns in **positive** sentences.



I'm going to buy **some** vegetables at the market.

There is **some** cheese in the fridge.





# Any

- We use **any** with plural or uncountable nouns in **negative** sentences.



I'm **not** going to buy **any** vegetables at the market.

There **isn't** **any** cheese in the fridge.





# Match the beginnings and endings

**1** We bought...

**2** He doesn't work with...

**3** I didn't buy...

**4** I will show you...

**5** Mandy and Tom haven't had...

**a** any meat at the market.

**b** some great places to eat nearby.

**c** any children yet.

**d** some coffee at the supermarket.

**e** any nice colleagues.



# Choose the correct option

1 In her office, there is a small table and \_\_\_\_\_ chairs.

a. any

b. some

2 There aren't \_\_\_\_\_ good shops in this part of the city.

a. any

b. some

3 There are \_\_\_\_\_ lovely restaurants around here.

a. any

b. some

4 I got \_\_\_\_\_ vegetables at the market, but I didn't buy \_\_\_\_\_ wine.

a. any, some

b. some, any

5 When we were in Spain, we visited \_\_\_\_\_ really interesting places.

a. any

b. some



# Look at the photo

**Describe** what Sarah **has** and **doesn't have** in her fridge.



*In her fridge, Sarah has...*

*But she doesn't have...*

- tomatoes
- peppers
- meat
- eggs
- wine
- greens
- prawns
- tuna



# Interview a partner

**Discuss** together in **breakout rooms**. **Find** one similarity with your partner.

**What do you have in your fridge?**

**What don't you have?**



**Ex.**

In my fridge, I have **some** meat and yoghurt. I don't have **any** fruit, however.





# Questions

- In most questions, we use **any** and **not** *some*.



Do you have **any** brothers or sisters?

Is there **any** food in the fridge?





# Questions

- However, we use **some** (and **not any**) when **we offer** and when we **ask for** things.

## Offering something

Would you like **some** tea?

Do you want **some** more salad?

Can I offer you **some** wine?

Who would like **some** dessert?

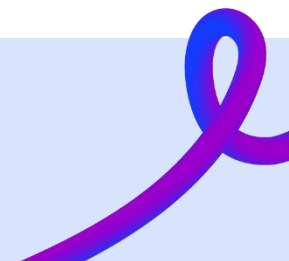
## Asking for something

Can I have **some** tea, please?

Can I have **some** more salad, please?

May I have **some** wine, please?

May I have **some** dessert, please?





## Some or any?

		Some	Any
1	Do you have _____ snacks? I'm so hungry!	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Can I have _____ paper, please? I forgot my notebook!	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Good morning! Would you like _____ coffee?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Did we buy _____ beer at the supermarket?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Would you like _____ help with your English homework?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



# Make a question

Look at each picture. **Form** a question using **some** or **any**.



**Pets**



**Coffee**



**Siblings**



**Chocolate cake**



**Money**

*Do you have...?*

*Would you like...?*



# Not + any and no

- We use **not... any** or **no** to mean a zero quantity of something.



There **aren't any** nice restaurants nearby.

There are **no** nice restaurants nearby.





## *Not + any and no*

- Here are some more examples:

*not...any*

We **don't** have **any** coffee.

There **isn't any** juice left.

*no*

We have **no** coffee.

There's **no** juice left.



**No...** sounds **stronger**  
than **not...any**!





## Re-write with *no*

1 I don't have any coins in my wallet.



I have **no** coins in my wallet.

2 There aren't any shopping malls nearby.



3 Tom doesn't have any free time.



4 I don't have any new information.



5 We don't have any alcohol left.



6 There aren't any vegetarian recipes in the book.





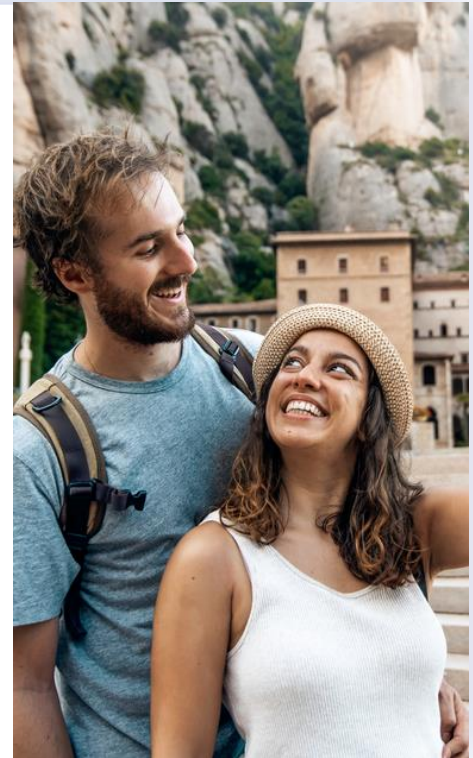
## Fill in the gaps with *no* or *any*

1. My sister is married, but she doesn't have \_\_\_\_\_ children.
2. My boss doesn't speak \_\_\_\_\_ other languages; she only speaks English.
3. I'm so sorry! There's \_\_\_\_\_ coffee left. Would you like some water?
4. 'Look at those planes in the sky!'  
'Planes? Where? I can't see \_\_\_\_\_ planes!'
5. 'Do you know what time the meeting starts?'  
'Sorry, I have \_\_\_\_\_ idea. Maybe ask Susie!'



## Use *no* or *any* + a word from below

1. I would love to go on holiday this year, but I have \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The President said that he won't answer \_\_\_\_\_ this afternoon.
3. Tom is alone. He has \_\_\_\_\_.
4. There weren't \_\_\_\_\_ at the shop that I liked, so I bought some online.
5. We didn't need to wait to buy our cinema tickets. There was \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Hurry up! There's \_\_\_\_\_ to waste!



**friends**

**clothes**

**questions**

**queue**

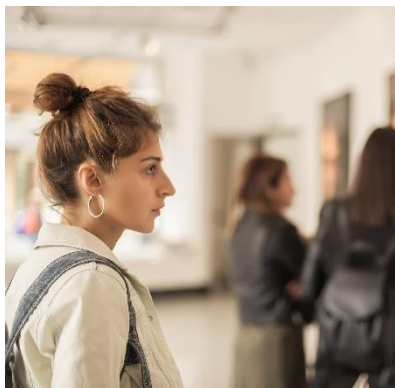
**money**

**time**



# Describing where I live

**Ask** a classmate about where they live.



1

famous art  
galleries



2

very expensive  
restaurants



3

forests or lakes  
nearby



4

large sporting  
venues

*Does your city have any famous galleries?*

*No, we don't have any famous galleries.  
All the famous ones are in the capital city.*



# End of the lesson

Idiom

***money for old rope***

**Meaning:** money that is earned very easily

**Example:** I had to do hardly any work for it – it was **money for old rope!**





# Additional practice



# Choose the correct option



1 Have you got \_\_\_\_\_ friends who speak English?

a. no

b. some

c. any

2 No, I haven't got \_\_\_\_\_ friends who speak English.

a. no

b. some

c. any

3 But I have \_\_\_\_\_ friends who speak French.

a. no

b. some

c. any

4 He has \_\_\_\_\_ friends at all. I feel bad for him!

a. no

b. some

c. any

5 Would you like \_\_\_\_\_ advice on how to make friends?

a. no

b. some

c. any



# Choose a photo

Describe it using *some*, *any* or *no*.





# You need to come visit!

Imagine you work for the tourism board for your country.

Your teacher has never visited your country before.

Tell them about it using ***some***, ***any***, and ***no***.

Then, ask them about their home country!





# Answer key

**P. 5:** 1. d, 2. e, 3. a, 4. b, 5. c

**P. 6:** 1. b, 2. a, 3. b, 4. b, 5. b

**P. 11:** 1. any  
2. some  
3. some  
4. any  
5. some

**P. 15:** 2. There are no shopping malls nearby.  
3. Tom has no free time.  
4. I have no new information.  
5. We have no alcohol left.  
6. There are no vegetarian recipes in the book.

**P. 16:** 1. any, 2. any, 3. no, 4. any, 5. no



# Answer key

- P. 17:**
1. no money
  2. any questions
  3. no friends.
  4. any clothes.
  5. no queue
  6. no time
- P. 21:**
1. c, 2. c, 3. b, 4. a, 5. b





# Summary

## **Some**

- Use **some** with plural or uncountable nouns in **positive** sentences → *Let's buy **some** vegetables!*
- Use **some** in **questions** when you offer and ask for things → *Would you like **some** tea?*

## **Any**

- Use **any** with plural or uncountable nouns in **negative** sentences. → *Let's not buy **any** vegetables!*
- Use **any** in most questions. → *Do you have **any** brothers or sisters?*

## **Not... any and no**

- Use **not... any** or **no** to mean a **zero** quantity → *We don't have **any** coffee. We have **no** coffee.*
- **No** sounds a bit **stronger** than **not...any**.



# Vocabulary

some

any

not... any

no

