

any?
non-specific

yes, some
no, not any

how many?
specific

seven
thirteen etc.
none

specific

non-specific

negative

positive

for example

important

when



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The meaning of "any" and "some" is "...", but we use "any" in questions and negative sentences, and "some" in positive sentences. For example, we say "Are there any books on the table?" – "Yes, there are some books on the table", and we say "Are there any books on the floor?" – "No, there aren't any books on the floor".

We use "any" in a non-specific question, when the number is not important. For example, "Are there any books on the table?" – "Yes, there are some books on the table", or "No, there aren't any books on the table". If the number is important, we use "How many" and there is a specific answer – "one", "two", "three" etc., or "none".



1 any

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1 not any



1 none

2 class

3 classroom



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