

not + anybody/anyone/anything nobody/no one/nothing

A

not + anybody / anyone
nobody / no one
(for people)



- There **isn't** $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{anybody} \\ \text{anyone} \end{array} \right\}$ in the room.
- There **is** $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{nobody} \\ \text{no one} \end{array} \right\}$ in the room.
- A: **Who** is in the room?
B: **Nobody.** / **No one.**

-body and **-one** are the same:
anybody = anyone nobody = no one

not + anything
nothing
(for things)



- There **isn't** anything in the bag.
- There **is** nothing in the bag.
- A: **What's** in the bag?
B: **Nothing.**

B

not + anybody / anyone

- I **don't** know anybody
(or anyone) here.

nobody = not + anybody
no one = not + anyone

- I'm lonely. I have **nobody** to talk to.
(= I don't have anybody)
- The house is empty. There is **no one**
in it. (= There isn't anyone in it.)

not + anything

- I **can't** remember anything.

nothing = not + anything

- She said **nothing**.
(= She didn't say anything.)
- There's **nothing** to eat.
(= There isn't anything to eat.)

C

You can use **nobody** / **no one** / **nothing** at the beginning of a sentence or alone
(to answer a question):

- The house is empty. **Nobody** lives there. (not Anybody lives there)
- "Who did you speak to?" "**No one.**"
- **Nothing** happened. (not Anything happened)
- "What did you say?" "**Nothing.**"

D

Remember: *negative verb* + **anybody** / **anyone** / **anything**
positive verb + **nobody** / **no one** / **nothing**

- He **doesn't** know anything. (not He doesn't know nothing)
- **Don't** tell anybody. (not Don't tell nobody)
- There **is** nothing to do in this town. (not There isn't nothing)

79.1 Write these sentences again with *nobody / no one* or *nothing*.

1. There isn't anything in the bag. There's nothing in the bag.
2. There isn't anybody in the office. There's _____
3. I don't have anything to do. I _____
4. There isn't anything on TV. _____
5. There wasn't anyone at home. _____
6. We didn't find anything. _____

79.2 Write these sentences again with *anybody/anyone* or *anything*.

1. There's nothing in the bag. There isn't anything in the bag.
2. There was nobody on the bus. There wasn't _____
3. I have nothing to read. _____
4. I have no one to help me. _____
5. She heard nothing. _____
6. We have nothing for dinner. _____

79.3 Answer these questions with *nobody / no one* or *nothing*.

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| 1a. What did you say? <u>Nothing.</u> | 5a. Who knows the answer? _____ |
| 2a. Who saw you? <u>Nobody.</u> | 6a. What did you buy? _____ |
| 3a. What do you want? _____ | 7a. What happened? _____ |
| 4a. Who did you meet? _____ | 8a. Who was late? _____ |

Now answer the same questions with full sentences.

Use *nobody / no one / nothing* or *anybody/anyone/anything*:

- 1b. I didn't say anything.
- 2b. Nobody saw me.
- 3b. I don't _____
- 4b. I _____
- 5b. _____ the answer.
- 6b. _____
- 7b. _____
- 8b. _____

79.4 Complete the sentences. Use:

nobody / no one / nothing* or *anybody/anyone/anything

1. That house is empty. Nobody lives there.
2. Jack has a bad memory. He can't remember anything.
3. Be quiet! Don't say _____.
4. I didn't know about the meeting. _____ told me.
5. "What did you have to eat?" " _____ . I wasn't hungry."
6. I didn't eat _____. I wasn't hungry.
7. Helen was sitting alone. She wasn't with _____.
8. I'm sorry, I can't help you. There's _____ I can do.
9. I don't know _____ about car engines.
10. The museum is free. It doesn't cost _____ to go in.
11. I heard a knock at the door, but when I opened it, there was _____ there.
12. Antonio spoke very fast. I didn't understand _____.
13. "What are you doing tonight?" " _____ . Why?"
14. Helen is out of town. _____ knows where she is. She didn't tell _____ where she was going.