

somebody/anything/nowhere, etc.

A



Somebody (or Someone) has broken the window.

somebody / someone
= a person, but we don't know who



She has got **something** in her mouth.

something = a thing, but we don't know what



Tom lives **somewhere** near Chicago.

somewhere = in/to a place, but we don't know where

B

People (-body or -one)

somebody or someone
anybody or anyone
nobody or no one

- There is **somebody** (or **someone**) at the door.
- Is there **anybody** (or **anyone**) at the door?
- There isn't **anybody** (or **anyone**) at the door.
- There is **nobody** (or **no one**) at the door.

-body and **-one** are the same: **somebody** = **someone**, **nobody** = **no one**, etc.

Things (-thing)

something
anything
nothing

- Lucy said **something**, but I didn't understand what she said.
- Are you doing **anything** this weekend?
- I was angry, but I didn't say **anything**.
- "What did you say?" "Nothing."

Places (-where)

somewhere
anywhere
nowhere

- Ruth's parents live **somewhere** in Southern California.
- Did you go **anywhere** interesting on vacation?
- I'm staying here. I'm **not** going **anywhere**.
- I don't like this town. There is **nowhere** to go.

C

something / anybody, etc. + adjective (big/cheap/interesting, etc.)

- Did you meet **anybody interesting** at the party?
- We always go to the same place. Let's go **somewhere different**.
- "What's in that letter?" "It's **nothing important**."

D

something / anybody, etc. + to ...

- I'm hungry. I want **something to eat**. (= something that I can eat)
- Tony doesn't have **anybody to talk to**. (= anybody that he can talk to)
- There is **nowhere to go** in this town. (= nowhere where people can go)

