

Grammar

Indefinite pronouns

Talking about indefinite people, things, and places

1 Look at the chart.

some – affirmative statements and questions

Someone told her to look in Africa.

He noticed **something** interesting.

Did he hear it **somewhere**?

any – negative statements and questions

She couldn't find **anything**.

He couldn't find **anyone**.

Is there **anywhere** I can go?

every – affirmative statements

He put **everything** together.

Everyone said, "No".

She looked **everywhere**.

Take note!

- We use **one** for a person, **thing** for an object, and **where** for a place.
- We use singular verbs after all indefinite pronouns.
Everyone **knows** the song Yesterday.

2 Circle the correct words.

- 1 There's someone / anyone in your car. Who is it?
- 2 There isn't someone / anyone in the café.
- 3 There's anything / something interesting on TV right now.
- 4 Brian sleepwalks anywhere / everywhere in the house and turns on all of the lights.
- 5 The kids are bored because they don't have anything / something to do.
- 6 There's someone / anyone snoring next door.

4 Fill in the blanks with the correct indefinite pronoun.



- 1 There's something in my shoe.



- 2 There isn't _____ in this room.



- 3 _____ is watching TV.



- 4 _____ is shouting. Who is he?



- 5 I want to stay at home. I don't want to go

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses.

- 1 Let's finish the presentation. Everyone is (be) yawning!
- 2 There _____ (not be) anyone waiting in line.
- 3 Someone _____ (want) to talk with you on the phone.
- 4 _____ (be) there anything I can do?
- 5 Leif _____ (not like) anything.
- 6 There _____ (be) something strange in my soup.