QUANTIFIERS: EXERCISES

READ THE GRAMMAR EXPLANATIONS ABOUT ´QUANTIFIERS´ AND DOT THE EXERCISES BELOW

Each, *every* and *either* are followed by a singular countable noun. *Each* and *every* have the same meaning. However, we often use *each* when all the people or things it refers to are seen individually. *Every* is used to refer to all the people or things.
I go to school every day except Sunday.
Each day is different.

Either is used when we want to refer to one thing or another.
I'll see you on either Saturday or Sunday.
'Tea or coffee?' 'I don't mind. Either is fine.'

Both means 'the two' or 'one and the other'.
'Do you prefer tea or coffee?' 'I like them both.'
I like both tea and coffee.

Few and *a few* are followed by a plural noun. *Few* has a negative meaning. *A few* has a neutral or positive meaning.
Few friends wanted to come to the cinema with me. It was a shame.
I went to the cinema with a few friends.

Little and *a little* are followed by an uncountable noun. *Little* has a negative meaning. *A little* has a neutral or positive meaning.
Sam works very hard and has little time for his friends.
I have a little time this evening. I can help you with your homework then.

3 Answer the questions with complete sentences. Use the words in brackets.

1 Did you finish your homework? (most)
I finished most of it.
2 Which friends are you going to invite to your party? (all)
3 How many wearable gadgets have you got? (any)
4 Do you prefer tablets or laptops? (like / both)
5 How much money have you got left? (a little)
6 How many students got full marks in the exam? (none)
7 Did you win all of your matches? (every)
8 Do you like Adele and Emeli Sandé? (either)

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Many is followed by a countable noun. *Much* is followed by an uncountable noun.
There aren't many students in the classroom.
I haven't got much money.

All, *most*, *some*, *any* and *no* can be followed by either a countable or an uncountable noun.
Most people here have no free time at the weekend.
Some books are missing, but all the CDs are here.

Most quantifiers can be followed by *of*.
A few of my friends came to the party. (plural noun)
All of the milk has been drunk. (uncountable noun)

When we use *no* and *every* with *of*, they change to *none* and *every one*. We use a plural noun with *every one*.
Every one of the students passed the exam. None of them failed.

In informal style, we use a plural verb with *none*. In formal style, we use a singular verb.
None of my friends were there. (informal)
None of my friends was there. (formal)

Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

1 In our school, not every / each student studies English.
2 John can kick the ball really well with either / both foot.
3 The exam was very difficult, so few / a few managed to finish.
4 This coffee is rather bitter. Can you put little / a little sugar in it, please?
5 How much / many pizzas shall we buy?
6 Do all / every cats like milk?
7 The teacher has marked every / all piece of homework.
8 All the / Every student answered the question, but each / every student gave a different answer.

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