

LANGUAGE IN ACTION

Indefinite, reflexive and reciprocal pronouns

1 Circle the correct options.

- 1 Someone / Anyone posted this video about my village.
- 2 I don't know nobody / anybody who vlogs about video games.
- 3 I swear I didn't delete anything / something from your computer.
- 4 What's that noise? Is anybody / nobody there?
- 5 He's just joined Instagram, but anyone / no one follows him yet.
- 6 I switched the computer on, but anything / nothing happened.

2 Complete the text with the words in the box.

anything nobody nothing (x2)
someone (x2) something (x2)

Be careful with what you post on social media because ¹ nobody likes rude comments. My gran used to say, 'If you have ² nice to say, don't say ³ anything'. If you disagree with ⁴ someone, tell them and explain why. There's nothing wrong with disagreeing about ⁵ something, but you can really hurt ⁶ someone if you're unkind. If you can't discuss ⁷ something politely, then say ⁸ nothing.

3 Circle the correct options.

- 1 She might have hurt himself / herself when she fell.
- 2 You shouldn't get annoyed with yourself / ourselves for something like this.
- 3 How do I look? I'm going to take a photo of myself / yourself.
- 4 Paul and I met ourselves / each other at a party two years ago.
- 5 We really enjoyed ourselves / themselves on our holidays.
- 6 It was a difficult project, so they decided to help themselves / one another.

4 Cross out and correct one mistake in each sentence.

- 1 This sport is totally safe. Anything dangerous can happen to you. Nothing.
- 2 Anna taught himself how to vlog about video games.
- 3 Phil and I are really good friends. We talk to ourselves about everything.
- 4 There isn't nothing you can do about adverts on TV except switch them off.
- 5 It's nothing serious – I just cut me with a knife.
- 6 I don't know no one at this party. Is there anyone you know here?

5 Complete the text with the correct indefinite or reflexive pronouns or *each other*.



My sister went to live in Canada last month to work at a big marketing company. We send messages to ¹ each other almost every day and she tells me ² something about her life there. She says she's enjoying ³ something, but at first it was difficult because she didn't know ⁴ anyone in Toronto and she had to do everything ⁵ alone without any help. She found a flat in the city centre, but there was ⁶ nothing in it – not even a bed! She lives with another girl now, but they hardly ever see ⁷ each other because the other girl works at night. But at least she has ⁸ someone to talk to sometimes. We all miss her!