

## GRAMMAR PRACTICE

Complete each statement or question with someone, no one, or anyone.

In some cases, more than one answer is correct.

- 1 There's someone (or no one) at the front desk.
- 2 They didn't tell anyone it would be a long wait.
- 3 Did you see anyone giving a manicure?
- 4 I didn't ask anyone about the price.
- 5 There will be someone here to give you a pedicure in a few minutes.
- 6 Someone can cut your hair at 12:30 if you can wait.
- 7 Please don't tell anyone the price. It was very expensive!

- 8 Someone called and left you this message while you were getting your shampoo.
- 9 There wasn't anyone there when she called for an appointment.
- 10 I didn't speak to anyone about the bad haircut.
- 11 Someone told me the salon offers shiatsu massage now.
- 12 I don't have the nail file. I gave it to someone.

**Someone**, **no one**, and **anyone** are indefinite pronouns. Each refers to an unnamed person. Use indefinite pronouns when the identity of the person is unknown or unimportant.

### Affirmative statements

**Someone** is available.  
**No one**

**Someone** is waiting for the manicurist.  
**No one**

I saw **someone** at the front desk.

### Negative statements

There isn't **anyone** waiting.  
I didn't see **anyone** at the salon.

### Questions

Can **anyone** wash my hair?  
**someone**

Is there **anyone** at the front desk?  
**someone**

Did you see **anyone** waiting for a shave?  
**someone**

### Be careful!

Use **anyone**, not **no one**, with the negative form of a verb.

I didn't speak to **anyone**.  
NOT I didn't speak to **no one**.

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• Indefinite pronouns:  
**something** **anything**