

# So am I, I am too, Neither am I, etc.

1 Look at this:



She is saying that she is also tired.

2 Here are some more examples:

*He was very angry. ~ So was I.*



*My flat's quite small. ~ So is mine.*

*They were waiting. ~ So was she.*

*I'm going to have tea. ~ So am I.*

*Ann has finished her work and so has Mary.*

*They've been waiting. ~ So has she.*

*I work in an office. ~ So do I.*

*I enjoyed the film. ~ So did I.*

*Philip will pass the exam and so will you.*

*He can drive. ~ So can she.*

Note:

- ▶ we use **so** after a positive statement;
- ▶ the verb we use after **so** depends on the verb used in the positive statement.

3 Instead of **so am I**, we can say **I am too**, with the same meaning. Here are some examples:

*I'm tired. ~ I am too.*

*We've got a small flat. ~ We have too.*

*I work in an office. ~ I do too.*

*Bill enjoyed the film and I did too.*

*He can drive. ~ She can too.*

4 We can use expressions like **neither am I** to reply to a negative statement:

*I'm not tired. ~ Neither am I.*

(= And I'm not tired.)

*I haven't seen that film. ~ Neither have I.*

*I don't like this place. ~ Neither do I.*

*I didn't see that play. ~ Neither did I.*

*His sister can't drive and neither can he.*

5 We can say **I'm not either** to mean the same as **neither am I**:

*I'm not tired. ~ I'm not either.*

(= And I'm not tired.)

*I haven't seen that film. ~ I haven't either.*

*I don't like this place. ~ I don't either.*

*I didn't see that play. ~ I didn't either.*

*His sister can't drive and he can't either.*

## Practice

A Complete the sentences with **so**, **too**, **either** or **neither**.

- ▶ I really enjoyed that meal. ~ So ..... did I.
- ▶ I haven't done the homework. ~ I haven't either .....
- ▶ We live in the centre of town. ~ We do too .....
- 1 I don't like football. ~ ..... do I.
- 2 I haven't been to America. ~ ..... have I.
- 3 My father works in an office. ~ ..... does mine.
- 4 I haven't read a newspaper today. ~ ..... have I.
- 5 I play a lot of different sports. ~ I do .....
- 6 I've been working very hard lately. ~ ..... have I.
- 7 Ann will be at the party and ..... will Jane.
- 8 My brother can't speak any foreign languages and ..... can my sister.
- 9 Helen sent me a birthday card and Robin did .....
- 10 George isn't going to the meeting and I'm not .....
- 11 Tony arrived late and ..... did I.
- 12 Kathy didn't go to the concert and ..... did I.

**B** Put in the replies, using *so* or *neither* and the words in brackets ( ), as in the examples.

QUESTIONS

- ▶ I've got a cold. (I)
- ▶ I haven't got much money. (I)
- 1 We're going to the concert. (we)
- 2 My pen doesn't work. (mine)
- 3 I haven't read today's paper. (I)
- 4 My meal was excellent. (mine)
- 5 I've been ill. (Frank)
- 6 Ron didn't go to the party. (George)
- 7 I can't understand this game. (I)
- 8 I'm not working tomorrow. (I)
- 9 Ruth passed the exam. (John)
- 10 I've eaten enough. (I)
- 11 I'm going to see that film. (we)
- 12 My car is very old. (mine)

ANSWERS

So have I. ....

Neither have I. ....

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**C** Look at the information in the table about four people and complete the sentences using *so*, *too*, *either* or *neither*.

|           | JULIA      | ROBERT     | SANDRA     | PAUL        |
|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Lives in: | New York   | Chicago    | New York   | Los Angeles |
| Speaks:   | Spanish    | French     | Spanish    | French      |
| Drives?   | Yes        | No         | No         | Yes         |
| Likes:    | reading    | travelling | travelling | reading     |
| Plays:    | basketball | basketball | tennis     | tennis      |

- ▶ Julia lives in New York and Sandra *does too*.
- ▶ Julia lives in New York and *so does* Sandra.
- 1 Robert doesn't live in New York and Paul.
- 2 Robert doesn't live in New York and Paul .
- 3 Julia speaks Spanish and Sandra.
- 4 Julia speaks Spanish and Sandra .
- 5 Robert can't speak Spanish and Paul.
- 6 Robert can't speak Spanish and Paul .
- 7 Julia can drive and Paul .
- 8 Robert can't drive and Sandra.
- 9 Julia has passed her driving test and Paul.
- 10 Robert likes travelling and Sandra.
- 11 Julia likes reading and Paul .
- 12 Julia plays basketball and Robert.
- 13 Sandra doesn't play basketball and Paul.