

- ☐ Sue will have **no trouble** finding a job. (= Sue **won't** have **any** trouble ...)
- ☐ There were **no shops** open. (= There **weren't any** shops open.)

You can use **no** + *noun* at the beginning of a sentence:

- ☐ **No reason** was given for the change of plan.

We use **none** *without* a noun:

- ☐ 'How much money do you have?' '**None.**' (= no money)
- ☐ All the tickets have been sold. There are **none** left. (= no tickets left)

Or we use **none of** ... :

- ☐ This money is all yours. **None of it** is mine.

Compare **none** and **any**:

- ☐ 'How much luggage do you have?' '**None.**' / 'I **don't** have **any.**'

After **none of** + *plural* (none of **the students**, none of **them** etc.) the verb can be singular or plural. A plural verb is more usual:

- ☐ None of the shops **were** (or **was**) open.

Nothing **nobody/no-one** **nowhere**

You can use these words at the beginning of a sentence or alone (as answers to questions):

- ☐ 'What's going to happen?' '**Nobody** (or **No-one**) knows.'
- ☐ 'What happened?' '**Nothing.**'
- ☐ 'Where are you going?' '**Nowhere.** I'm staying here.'

You can also use these words after a verb, especially after **be** and **have**:

- ☐ The house is empty. There's **nobody** living there.
- ☐ We **had nothing** to eat.

Nothing/nobody etc. = **not** + **anything/anybody** etc. :

- ☐ I said **nothing**. = I **didn't** say **anything**.
- ☐ Jane told **nobody** about her plans. = Jane **didn't** tell **anybody** about her plans.
- ☐ They have **nowhere** to live. = They **don't** have **anywhere** to live.

With **nothing/nobody** etc., do *not* use a negative verb (**isn't**, **didn't** etc.):

- ☐ I **said** nothing. (*not* I **didn't** say nothing)

After **nobody/no-one** you can use **they/them/their** (see also Unit 85E):

- ☐ **Nobody** is perfect, are **they**? (= is he or she perfect)
- ☐ **No-one** did what I asked **them** to do. (= him or her)
- ☐ **Nobody** in the class did **their** homework. (= his or her homework)

Sometimes **any/anything/anybody** etc. means 'it doesn't matter which/what/who' (see Unit 8

Compare **no-** and **any-**:

- ☐ There was **no** bus, so we walked home.
You can take **any** bus. They all go to the centre. (= it doesn't matter which)
- ☐ 'What do you want to eat?' '**Nothing.** I'm not hungry.'

- 4 we had to walk home because there weren't taxis.
- 5 'How many eggs have we got?' '.....'. Do you want me to get some?'
- 6 We took a few pictures, but of them were very good.
- 7 'Did you take lots of pictures?' 'No, I didn't take
- 8 What a stupid thing to do! intelligent person would do such a thing.
- 9 There's nowhere to cross the river. There's bridge.
- 10 I haven't read of the books you lent me.
- 11 We cancelled the party because of the people we invited were able to come
- 12 'Do you know when Chris will be back?' 'I'm sorry. I have idea.'

2 Answer these questions using **none/nobody/nothing/nowhere**.

- 1 What did you do?
- 2 Who were you talking to?
- 3 How much sugar do you want?
- 4 Where are you going?
- 5 How many emails did you get?
- 6 How much did you pay?

Nothing.

Now answer the same questions using complete sentences with **any/anybody/anything/anywhere**.

- 7 (1) I didn't do anything.
- 8 (2) I
- 9 (3)
- 10 (4)
- 11 (5)
- 12 (6)

3 Complete these sentences with **no- or any- + -body/-thing/-where**.

- 1 I don't want anything to drink. I'm not thirsty.
- 2 The bus was completely empty. There was on it.
- 3 'Where did you go for your holidays?' '.....'. I stayed at home.'
- 4 I went to the shops, but I didn't buy
- 5 'What did you buy?' '.....'. I couldn't find I wanted.'
- 6 The town is still the same as it was years ago. has changed.
- 7 Have you seen my watch? I can't find it
- 8 There was complete silence in the room. said

4 Choose the right word.

- 1 She didn't tell nobody / anybody about her plans. (anybody is correct)
- 2 The accident looked bad, but fortunately nobody / anybody was badly injured.
- 3 I looked out of the window, but I couldn't see no-one / anyone.
- 4 My job is very easy. Nobody / Anybody could do it.