

Some und any

REMEMBER „Some“ wird als „etwas“, „ein paar“ oder auch überhaupt nicht übersetzt. „Any“ übersetzt man meist als „irgendwelche“ oder „jeder (beliebige)“ oder lässt es in der Übersetzung ganz weg. Sie werden in unterschiedlichen Satzarten verwendet:

some verwendet man in bejahten Aussagesätzen (1) sowie in Bitten (2) und Angeboten (3). Diese Bitten und Angebote können auch die Form einer Frage annehmen.

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| (1) We have some cookies. | Wir haben (ein paar) Kekse. |
| (2) Could I have some cookies? | Könnte ich (ein paar) Kekse haben? |
| (3) Would you like some cookies? | Möchtest du (ein paar) Kekse? |

any verwendet man in verneinten Sätzen (1) und in tatsächlichen Fragen (2). Außerdem kommt in der Bedeutung „egal welche“, „ein(en) beliebige(n)“ (3) und in if-Sätzen (4) vor.

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| (1) We don't have any cookies. | Wir haben keine Kekse. |
| (1) We never / hardly have any cookies. | Wir haben nie / fast keine Kekse. |
| (2) Do we have any cookies? | Haben wir (irgendwelche) Kekse? |
| (3) I'll take any cookie you have. | Ich nehme jeden (beliebigen) Keks, den ihr habt. |
| (4) If there are any cookies, I'll have some. | Wenn ihr Kekse habt, nehme ich ein paar. |

EXERCISE 1 Why is *some* or *any* used in these sentences? Tick the right answer.

Warum wird in diesen Sätzen *some* oder *any* verwendet? Kreuze die richtige Begründung an.

	some			any		
	Bejahter Satz	Bitte	Angebot	Vern. Satz	Frage	„egal welche“
a) We don't have any rabbits.						
b) Are there any sausages?						
c) I don't want any snacks.						
d) Would you like something to drink?						
e) Did you get any presents?						
f) We need some new socks.						
g) Can I get you some tea?						
h) Which book do you want? – Just give me any book, it doesn't matter.						
i) Can I have some fries, please?						

EXERCISE 2 Fill in *some* or *any*.

Setze *some* oder *any* ein.

- a) Mum, do we have _____ chocolate? – Yes, there is _____ chocolate in the kitchen cupboard.
- b) My family doesn't have _____ pets. Do you have _____ pets?
- c) Grandma, can I have _____ apples? – Of course you can. Go and get _____ apples from the apple tree.
- d) Ben, would you like to try _____ of my home-made lemonade? – Sure, it looks delicious! I'd love to try _____.
- e) Let's go to Santo's store and buy _____ mozzarella. – They don't have _____ mozzarella at Santo's store. We have to go to the big supermarket in Cave Street.
- f) Hey, do you need _____ help? – Yes, Mr. Fielding. We've got _____ problems with exercise 2b.
- g) My aunt has _____ beautiful paintings in her room. However, she doesn't sell _____ of her paintings.
- h) Are you sure this is the bus stop? There aren't _____ buses.
- i) I'm hungry. – Oh wait, I think I've got _____ sandwiches in my bag.
- j) I don't know what to do. Do you have _____ ideas? – No, I haven't got _____.
- k) Look, I've found _____ baby birds in a nest!
- l) I need to send _____ letters to my friends. Do you have _____ stamps?
- m) Bob, I think I need _____ help with this problem. – I'm sorry, I don't have _____ time at the moment.
- n) Do you have _____ brothers or sisters?
- o) Jane, could I use _____ of your pencils? – I'm sorry, I don't have _____ pencils with me today.
- p) I know _____ lovely places around here. Would you like to visit _____ of them with me?
- q) This recipe is easy. You only need two eggs, a little milk and _____ flour. – That sounds good – but we don't have _____ milk!
- r) My brother and _____ of his friends are in the living room. I don't like _____ of his friends because they never let me play with them.
- s) Can I have _____ old clothes for my school project? – I don't have _____ old clothes here. Go and ask Dennis, he must have _____.

EXERCISE 3 Translate the sentences into English. Use *some* and *any*.Übersetze die Sätze ins Englische. Verwende *some* und *any*.

- a) Ich habe keine Bücher. _____
- b) Sie kauft ein paar Äpfel. _____
- c) Der Supermarkt verkauft keine DVDs. _____
- d) Möchtest du etwas Eiscreme? _____
- e) Ron findet ein paar Eier. _____
- f) Die Kinder haben ein paar Skateboards. _____
- g) Kann ich ein paar Bananen haben? _____
- h) Hast du CDs? _____
- i) Ich kann kein Papier finden. _____
- j) Gibt es im Wald gefährliche Tiere? _____
- k) Wir hätten gerne ein paar Tickets. _____
- l) Möchtest du ein paar Süßigkeiten (*sweets*)? _____
- m) Es gibt keinen Käse. _____

EXERCISE 4 *Some* oder *any*? Tick the right answer and find the solution phrase.

Some oder any? Kreuze an und finde den Lösungssatz.

	some	any
a) Let's buy *** crisps.	T	F
b) Could I have *** apples, please?	H	O
c) I don't see *** animals.	L	E
d) Is there *** ice-cream in the fridge?	E	W
e) I always eat *** fruit for breakfast.	O	S
f) Would you like to try *** of these cookies?	R	T
g) My mom made *** cakes for my birthday party.	L	U
h) The poor boy doesn't have *** friends.	R	D
i) Can you borrow me *** sheets of paper?	I	M
j) I have to look up *** words in the dictionary.	S	A
k) Can I get you *** hot tea?	A	N
l) Are there *** girls in your class?	G	S
m) We didn't read *** interesting books in school.	E	T
n) Does this bookshop sell *** comic books?	R	A
o) Kate never showed me *** of her drawings.	L	G
p) There isn't *** orange juice left.	A	E

Lösungen: some und any

EXERCISE 1 Kreuze bei diesen Fragen an, warum jeweils some oder any verwendet wird.

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	Bejahter Satz	Bitte	Angebot	Vern. Satz	Frage	“egal welche”
a) We don't have any rabbits.				x		
b) Are there any sausages?					x	
c) I don't want any snacks.				x		
d) Would you like something to drink?			x			
e) Did you get any presents?					x	
f) We need some new socks.	x					
g) Can I get you some tea?			x			
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- EXERCISE 2
- a) Mum, do we have **SOME** chocolate? – Yes, there is **SOME** chocolate in the kitchen cupboard.
- b) My family doesn't have **ANY** pets. Do you have **ANY** pets?
- c) Grandma, can I have **SOME** apples? – Of course you can. Go and get **SOME** apples from the apple tree.
- d) Ben, would you like to try **SOME** of my home-made lemonade? – Sure, it looks delicious! I'd love to try **SOME**.
- e) Let's go to Santo's store and buy **SOME** mozzarella. – They don't have **ANY** mozzarella at Santo's store. We have to go to the big supermarket in Cave Street.
- f) Hey, do you need **ANY** help? – Yes, Mr. Fielding. We've got **SOME** problems with exercise 2b.
- g) My aunt has **SOME** beautiful paintings in her room. However, she doesn't sell **ANY** of her paintings.
- h) Are you sure this is the bus stop? I don't see **ANY** buses.
- i) I'm hungry. – Oh wait, I think I've got **SOME** sandwiches in my bag.
- j) I don't know what to do. Do you have **ANY** ideas? – No, I haven't got **ANY**.
- k) Look, I've found **SOME** baby birds in a nest!
- l) I need to send **SOME** letters to my friends. Do you have **ANY** stamps?
- m) Bob, I think I need **SOME** help with this problem. – I'm sorry, I don't have **ANY** time at the moment.
- n) Do you have **SOME** brothers or sisters?
- o) Jane, could I use **SOME** of your pencils? – I'm sorry, I don't have **ANY** pencils with me today.
- p) I know **SOME** lovely places around here. Would you like to visit **SOME** of them with me?
- q) This recipe is easy. You only need two eggs, a little milk and **SOME** flour. – That sounds good – but we don't have **ANY** milk!
- r) My brother and **SOME** of his friends are in the living room. I don't like **ANY** of his friends because they never let me play with them.
- s) Can I have **SOME** old clothes for my school project? – I don't have **ANY** old clothes here. Go and ask Dennis, he must have **SOME**.

EXERCISE 3 Translate the sentences into German. Use *some* and *any*.

- a) Ich habe keine Bücher. – **I don't have any books.**
- b) Sie kauft ein paar Äpfel. – **She buys some apples.**
- c) Der Supermarkt verkauft keine DVDs. – **The supermarket doesn't sell any DVDs.**
- d) Möchtest du etwas Eiscreme? – **Would you like some ice-cream?**
- e) Ron findet ein paar Eier. – **Ron finds a few eggs.**
- f) Die Kinder haben ein paar Skateboards. – **The kids have (got) some skateboards.**
- g) Kann ich ein paar Bananen haben? – **May/Can I have some bananas?**
- h) Hast du CDs? – **Have you got any CDs? / Do you have any CDs?**
- i) Ich kann kein Papier finden. – **I can't find any paper.**
- j) Gibt es im Wald gefährliche Tiere? – **Are there any dangerous animals in the forest?**
- k) Wir hätten gerne ein paar Tickets. – **We would like some tickets.**
- l) Möchtest du ein paar Süßigkeiten (sweets)? – **Would you like some sweets?**
- m) Es gibt keinen Käse. – **There isn't any cheese.**

EXERCISE 4 Lösungssatz: *The World is a Stage*

Some und any und ihre Zusammensetzungen

	some: benutzt in (1) bejahten Aussagesätzen (2) Bitten (3) Angeboten	any: benutzt in (1) verneinten Aussagesätzen (2) „echten“ Fragen (3) in der Bedeutung „irgendetwas (Beliebiges)“, „absolut jede(s)“ (4) in if-Sätzen
irgendjemand	somebody / someone	anybody / anyone
irgendetwas	something	anything
irgendwo	somewhere	anywhere
irgendwann	sometime	anytime

EXERCISE 1 Underline the right alternative.

Remember: Some wird in positiven Aussagen, Bitten und Angeboten verwendet. Any verwendet man in verneinten Sätzen und Fragen.

- I didn't know what to do, so I asked somebody / anybody.
- Can I get you something / anything to drink?
- I didn't say something / anything.
- James lives somewhere / anywhere in Scotland.
- Do you know someone / anyone at this party?
- Can we eat something / anything at this nice little restaurant?
- Why don't you go and buy us something / anything to drink?
- The kids are hiding somewhere / anywhere. Let's go and look for them.
- Look, Ben is carrying the heavy box all by himself! Somebody / anybody should help him.
- Somebody / Anybody killed Biff Smith. Was it you? – Oh no, Inspector! I don't have something / anything to do with this!
- I won't do something / anything for you.
- Where is my phone? I can't find it somewhere / anywhere!
- Would you like something / anything to eat?

EXERCISE 2 Fill in: somebody / someone – something – somewhere; anybody / anyone – anything – anywhere

- Where are our friends? I can't see them _____.
- Quick, the boy has fallen into the lake! _____ must help him!
- Did you get _____ for mum's birthday? – Oh no, I forgot! I have to go and buy _____ right now.
- This party is boring. Let's go _____ else.
- I don't want to go to the new school. I don't know _____ there.
- Can I get your son _____ to play with while you are waiting?
- Do you have _____ nice to wear tonight?

- h) If there is _____ I can do for you, please let me know.
i) It is very loud here. Could we go _____ else?
j) I know _____ who works at the factory. His name is Bob.
k) Are you feeling better? Do you want me to call _____ for you?
l) It's so boring. I don't have _____ to do!
m) Mum and dad bought _____ at the supermarket.

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TIPP: Hier wird any- auch in der Bedeutung "jeder beliebige" oder „absolut jede(r)“ verwendet.

- a) Do you know who stole the ring? – I have no idea. It could have been somebody / anybody!
b) Oh no, I've lost my keys! – Do you remember where you put them? – I have absolutely no idea. They could be somewhere / anywhere!
c) You're very pretty. We should definitely go on a date sometime / anytime.
d) This *riddle* (Rätsel) is super easy. Somebody / anybody could find the answer!
e) Don't be sad. If there is a problem, you can call me sometime / anytime – I'm always there for you.
f) Look, the door is open. Somebody / anybody has gone in or left.

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- d) This party is boring. Let's go **somewhere** else.
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Some und any – Quiz

EXERCISE 1 Fill in *some* or *any*.

- a) I'm sorry, we don't have _____ eggs.
- b) Jane has got _____ really good CDs.
- c) Billy, can you get _____ hot dogs for us?
- d) Do you have _____ plans today?
- e) Would you like _____ orange juice?
- f) Are there _____ tomatoes in the fridge?
- g) The kids don't have _____ toys.
- h) Let's buy _____ toys for the kids!
- i) Do you sell _____ good books here?
- j) Could I have _____ strawberries, please?

EXERCISE 2 Translate the sentences into English using *some* or *any*.

- a) Hast du (irgendwelche) Geschenke?

- b) Wir brauchen ein paar Fotos.

- c) Gib mir etwas Papier.

- d) Kann ich etwas Wasser haben?

- e) Er hat keine Stifte.

EXERCISE 3 Fill in the correct compound of *some* and *any* (someone/anyone, somewhere/anywhere, something/anything).

- a) Do we have _____ to read? – Yes, we have a magazine.
- b) Oh God, where is the car? _____ must have stolen it!
- c) We've been on the road for three hours. I really need _____ to eat now. Let's stop _____ and buy a few sandwiches.
- d) I don't have _____ to go. Can I stay at your place?
- e) Jeff never helps _____.
- f) Hello? Is _____ at home?
- g) Could _____ help me, please?
- h) There isn't _____ we can do for you.

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- b) Wir brauchen ein paar Fotos. - **We need some photos.**
- c) Gib mir etwas Papier. - **Give me some paper.**
- d) Kann ich etwas Wasser haben? **May / Can I have some water?**
- e) Er hat keine Stifte. **He doesn't have any pencils.**

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