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 **bejahnten Aussagesätzen** (1) sowie in **Bitten** (2) und **Angeboten** (3). Diese Bitten und Angebote können auch die Form einer Frage annehmen.

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) beliebigen(n)“ (3) und in **if-Sätzen** (4) vor.

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

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**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.*

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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.
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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.
Lösungen: some und any

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m) Bob, I think I need SOME help with this problem. – I’m sorry, I don’t have ANY time at the moment.

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

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EXERCISE 1 Underline the right alternative.


a) I didn’t know what to do, so I asked somebody / anybody.
b) Can I get you something / anything to drink?
c) I didn’t say something / anything.
d) James lives somewhere / anywhere in Scotland.
e) Do you know someone / anyone at this party?
f) Can we eat something / anything at this nice little restaurant?
g) Why don’t you go and buy us something / anything to drink?
h) The kids are hiding somewhere / anywhere. Let’s go and look for them.
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k) I won’t do something / anything for you.
l) Where is my phone? I can’t find it somewhere / anywhere!
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EXERCISE 2 Fill in: somebody / someone – something – somewhere; anybody / anyone – anything – anywhere

a) Where are our friends? I can’t see them ____________________.
b) Quick, the boy has fallen into the lake! ____________________ must help him!
c) Did you get ____________________ for mum’s birthday? – Oh no, I forgot! I have to go and buy ____________________ right now.
d) This party is boring. Let’s go ____________________ else.
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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?
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m) Mum and dad bought __________________________ at the supermarket.

EXERCISE 3 Underline the right alternative.

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.
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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.

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**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?
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b) Wir brauchen ein paar Fotos. – We need some photos.
c) Gib mir etwas Papier. – Give me some paper.
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