



Boss: Did anyone call me while I was at lunch?

Secretary: Oh, yes. Everybody wants you today! First of all, somebody called about your car – it's ready to pick up. Then, you need to call your wife back. And finally, your friend Malcolm called. He wants to meet somewhere for dinner this evening.

Boss: Were there any calls about work?

Secretary: No, nothing like that.

## Presentation

	-thing	-where	-one	-body
any-	anything	anywhere	anyone	anybody
every-	everything	everywhere	everyone	everybody
no-	nothing	nowhere	no one	nobody
some-	something	somewhere	someone	somebody

Use these pronouns with the verb in the singular form: *Everybody wants you today.*

- Use *any-* in questions: *Is there anything to do?*
- Use *not any-* in negative sentences: *There wasn't anything to do.*
- Note that *not any-* = *no-*: *There was nothing to do.*

You can use these pronouns before adjectives to add more detail: *She's cooking something special for dinner.*

**TIP** You can use *one* instead of *body*: *anyone, everyone, no one, someone.*

## Exercises

### 1 Complete the sentences with the words in parentheses.

- (nothing, everybody) Everybody was hungry but there was nothing to eat.
- (nobody, everybody) There's                      in the house.                      has gone to the beach.
- (anything, anybody) There isn't                      good playing at the movie theater. Does                      want to go out for lunch instead?
- (anybody, somebody) There's                      at the door – are you expecting                      ?
- (nobody, everything) I called but                      answered. Is                      OK?

## 2 Complete the sentences with the pairs of words in the box.

somewhere + nowhere    something + somebody    everywhere + anywhere  
 anything + nothing    ~~anybody + anywhere~~

- 1 Does anybody have José's number? I can't find it anywhere.
- 2 I've got ..... exciting to tell you about ..... you know.
- 3 We didn't do ..... interesting all weekend – we stayed at home and did .....
- 4 I've lost my keys. I've looked for them ..... but I can't find them .....
- 5 I'm looking for ..... to park, but there's ..... in this street.

## 3 Rewrite the sentences. Change *no-* to *not any-* and *not any-* to *no-*.

- 1 There's nobody in the house. There isn't anybody in the house.
- 2 There isn't anything to do. There's nothing to do.
- 3 There's nowhere to go. ....
- 4 There's nothing on TV. ....
- 5 There isn't anybody I want to call. ....
- 6 There isn't anywhere worse than here. ....

## 4 Complete the conversations.

### Conversation 1

- A: Polly, I have <sup>1</sup> something to tell you. I'm leaving.  
 B: But why John? I did <sup>2</sup> ..... for you.  
 A: I know you did. But it will never work between us.  
 B: Oh, John. Is there <sup>3</sup> ..... I can do to change your mind?  
 A: No, <sup>4</sup> .....

### Conversation 2

- C: Did you hear that?  
 D: No, I didn't. I didn't hear <sup>5</sup> .....  
 C: I think there's <sup>6</sup> ..... downstairs.  
 D: No, there isn't. There's <sup>7</sup> ..... downstairs. Go to sleep.  
 C: Then what was THAT?

### Conversation 3

- E: Your travel photos are wonderful. You've been <sup>8</sup> .....  
 F: Not really. Only to India and Thailand.  
 E: Well, it's more than me. I haven't done <sup>9</sup> ..... with my life and I haven't been <sup>10</sup> .....  
 F: That's not true. What about your camping trip last year, for example?