



ENGLISH GRAMMAR 1

ELEMENTARY LEVEL

Unit 78 – Not + anybody / anyone / anything
nobody / no-one / nothing

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Not + anybody / Nobody

A PHÂN BIỆT “NOT+ANYBODY/ANYONE” VÀ “NOT+ ANYTHING”

not + anybody/anyone
nobody/no-one
(for people)



- Ex1A: There **isn't** } **anybody** } in the room.
- Ex2A: There is } **nobody** } in the room.
- Ex3A: A: **Who** is in the room?
B: **Nobody / No-one.**

-body and **-one** are the same:
anybody = **anyone.** **nobody** = **no-one**

not + anything
nothing
(for things)



- Ex1B: There **isn't** **anything** in the bag.
- Ex2B: There **is** **nothing** in the bag.
- Ex3B: A: **What's** in the bag?
B: **Nothing.**

Not + anybody / Nobody

B CÁCH DÙNG CỦA “NOT...ANYBODY/ANYONE” VÀ NOT...ANYTHING

not + anybody / anyone

- Ex4: I don't know **anybody** (or **anyone**) here.

nobody = not + anybody

no-one = not + anyone

- Ex5: I'm lonely. I have nobody to talk to.
(= I don't have anybody)
- Ex6: The house is empty. There is no-one in it.
(=There isn't anyone in it.)

not + anything

- Ex7: I can't remember **anything**.

nothing = not + anything

- Ex8: She said **nothing**.
(=She didn't say **anything**.)
- Ex9: There's **nothing** to eat.
(=There isn't **anything** to eat.)

Not + anybody / Nobody



C CÁCH DÙNG CỦA “NOBODY / NO-ONE” VÀ “NOTHING”

You can use **nobody** / **no-one** / **nothing** at the beginning of a sentence or alone (to answer a question):

- Ex10: The house is empty. **Nobody** lives there.
- Ex11: 'Who did you speak to?' '**No-one**'
- Ex12: **Nothing** happened.
- Ex13: 'What did you say?' '**Nothing**'

Not + anybody / Nobody

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Remember: *negative verb* + **anybody / anyone / anything**

positive verb + **nobody / no-one / nothing**

- Ex14: He **doesn't** know **anything**. (not He doesn't know nothing)
- Ex15: **Don't** tell **anybody**. (not Don't tell nobody)
- Ex16: There **is nothing** to do in this town. (not There isn't nothing)

some and any → **Unit 76**

any and no → **Unit 77**

somebody / anything / nowhere etc → **Unit 79**