Reference words

Both, neither, either, none, all, each etc.

ALL

a quantity word, it can be followed by OF before THE and a noun.

Jim was there ALL (of) the time.

It can also emphasise.

They ALL wore white shorts and shirts.

Those stamps you bought have ALL disappeared.

It can stand alone - "the only thing"

ALL I want is some peace and quiet.

NO + NONE

no = not any, none – for three and more people or things

There are no plates left.= There are none left.

None of you has/have failed the test.

None of us knows/know the right answer.

We saw several houses but none we liked.

How many books did you borrow? None.

EITHER, NEITHER

EITHER/NEITHER (for 2 people/things)

I didn't like either of those films.

Neither of the films was/were very good.

On either side of the house there are shops.

You can keep one of the photos. Either of them - whichever you like.

BOTH

(for 2 people/things)

Before a noun

Both children are at school.

Both her children are boys.

As a pronoun

Both (both of them) arrived at the same time.

We can both speak Spanish.

ANOTHER, THE OTHER, OTHER, OTHERS, THE OTHERS

Can I have another cup of tea, please?

He doesn't like others/other people interfering.

Have you told the others/the other students?

One of the twins was Meg. What was the other one called?

One, ones, the one, the ones – the same principle

EACH, EACH OF

Each member of the team received a medal.

Each can refer to two items.

She kissed him on each cheek.

Each of + a noun/pronoun

She gave each (not every) of us a small gift.

A noun/pronoun + each

My two brothers were each chosen.

Each on its own:

Look at these houses! Each (not every) is a different colour.

EACH X EVERY

Each and every are similar in meaning:

Each/every time I hear the song, I think about our holiday in Greece.

But each (2 or more) emphasises individual things and every (3 or more) makes us think of the group.

Every café in the street was busy, and each one sold a different type of local food.

repeated actions - usually every

every day, every two weeks