Some vs Any — Worksheet

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Choose the correct option (a–d) for each gap or question. Check yourself with the answer key on the last page.

1. I bought _____ apples at the market this morning.
   a) some b) any c) a d) an

2. Sorry, there isn't _____ milk left for your coffee.
   a) some b) no c) any d) a

3. There's _____ cheese in the fridge if you're hungry.
   a) any b) many c) an d) some

4. Are there _____ seats left at all, or is the train full?
   a) some b) a c) any d) much

5. We need some new _____ for the kitchen.
   a) chair b) a chair c) the chair d) chairs

6. Can you give me _____ advice? I don't know what to do.
   a) an b) some c) a d) many

7. There's _____ at the door. Can you see who it is?
   a) someone b) anyone c) no one d) anything

8. I've looked in every room, but I can't find my glasses _____.
   a) somewhere b) anywhere c) nowhere d) anything

9. She bought _____ for her mother's birthday.
   a) nice something b) anything nice c) some nice d) something nice

10. There are _____ buses after midnight, so take a taxi.
    a) no b) any c) some d) none

11. I'm really thirsty — I'd like _____ water, please.
    a) any b) an c) many d) some

12. Here, have _____ grapes — they're really sweet.
    a) any b) some c) a d) much

13. My brother lives abroad, but he never sends me _____ photos.
    a) some b) no c) any d) a

14. I was so tired that I hardly said _____ at dinner.
    a) anything b) something c) nothing d) everything

15. He went out without _____ money in his pocket — not even a coin.
a) some b) any c) no d) a

16. Take _____ seat you like — they're all free.
a) every b) many c) no d) any

17. Don't be shy — you can ask me _____ you like about the job.
a) something b) anything c) nothing d) anyone

18. "How many tickets are left?" — "_____. They've all been sold."
a) No b) Any c) None d) Not any

19. I knocked three times, but _____ answered, so I left a note.
a) no one b) anyone c) someone d) something

20. Don't tell _____ about the party — it's a surprise.
a) someone b) no one c) anyone d) anything

21. I'd like to buy _____ souvenirs, but there aren't _____ shops near the hotel.
a) any … some b) some … any c) some … some d) any … any

22. Can I have _____ omelette and _____ toast, please?
a) a … some b) an … a c) some … a d) an … some

23. There's _____ coffee, and there isn't _____ tea either.
a) no … any b) some … any c) no … no d) any … no

24. I didn't buy _____ at the shop, but I found _____ nice at the market.
a) something … anything b) nothing … something c) anything … something d) anything … anything

25. The children ate all the cake, so there's _____ left — not even _____ small piece.
a) no … a b) none … a c) any … some d) none … any

26. Which sentence is correct?
a) Can you give me an information about the trains?
b) Can you give me some information about the trains?
c) Can you give me some informations about the trains?
d) Can you give me a information about the trains?

27. Which sentence is correct?
a) I don't have no time today.
b) I have any time today.
c) I don't have some time today.
d) I don't have any time today.

28. Which sentence is correct?
a) Nobody came to the meeting.
b) Anybody came to the meeting.
c) Anybody didn't come to the meeting.
d) Nobody didn't come to the meeting.

29. Which sentence is correct?
a) There's hardly no space in my suitcase.
b) There's hardly some space in my suitcase.
c) There's hardly any space in my suitcase.
d) There isn't hardly any space in my suitcase.

30. Which sentence is correct?
a) There are none eggs in the fridge.
b) There are no eggs in the fridge.
c) There aren't no eggs in the fridge.
d) There are any eggs in the fridge.

Answer Key

Some vs Any · Explanations are shortened — the full interactive version is at gramvoy.com/exercises/some-vs-any/

1. a) some

A positive sentence takes some before a plural noun: I bought some apples.

2. c) any

Isn't makes the sentence negative, so any: there isn't any milk.

3. d) some

A positive sentence with an uncountable noun takes some: some cheese.

4. c) any

A real question — and at all — calls for any: Are there any seats left at all?

5. d) chairs

Some goes with plural or uncountable nouns, so the plural chairs.

6. b) some

Advice is uncountable, so it can't take a or an: some advice, or a piece of advice.

7. a) someone

In a positive sentence use the some- word: There's someone at the door.

8. b) anywhere

Can't makes the sentence negative, so the any- word: I can't find them anywhere.

9. d) something nice

Adjectives come after something, anything and nothing: something nice.

10. a) no

No + noun means not any: There are no buses = There aren't any buses.

11. d) some

I'd like…, please is a polite request and a positive sentence, so some: I'd like some water.

12. b) some

An offer takes some, even though it is not a statement: Here, have some grapes.

13. c) any

Never is negative in meaning, so it takes any: he never sends me any photos.

14. a) anything

Hardly means "almost not", so it takes the any- word: hardly said anything.

15. b) any

Without is negative in meaning, so any follows it: without any money.

16. d) any

In a positive sentence any can mean "it doesn't matter which": Take any seat you like.

17. b) anything

Here anything means "it doesn't matter what": ask me anything you like.

18. c) None

With no noun after it, use None: How many are left?

19. a) no one

No one means not anyone and can be the subject: no one answered.

20. c) anyone

Don't makes the instruction negative, so the any- word: Don't tell anyone.

21. b) some … any

The first half is positive, so some souvenirs; aren't makes the second half negative, so any shops — some … any.

22. d) an … some

Omelette is one countable thing and starts with a vowel sound: an.

23. a) no … any

Either shows both halves are negative: There's no coffee (= isn't any) and there isn't any tea — no … any.

24. c) anything … something

Didn't makes the first half negative, so anything; the second half is positive, so something nice — anything … something.

25. b) none … a

With no noun after it, use none: there's none left.

26. b) Can you give me some information about the trains?

Information is uncountable: it has no plural and can't take a or an.

27. d) I don't have any time today.

A negative sentence takes any: I don't have any time.

28. a) Nobody came to the meeting.

An any- word can't be the subject of a negative verb, so say Nobody came.

29. c) There's hardly any space in my suitcase.

Hardly is already negative in meaning, so it takes any: hardly any space.

30. b) There are no eggs in the fridge.

Before a noun use no: There are no eggs = There aren't any eggs.