



THE USE OF THE DETERMINERS
SOME AND **ANY**



DETERMINERS IN ENGLISH

Determiners are used in front of nouns to indicate whether you are referring to something specific or something of a particular type.

Possessives

My
Our
Your
His
Her
Its
Their

Ordinals

First
Second
Third
Next
Last

Distributives

Each
Every
Neither
Either

Quantifiers

Much
Some
No
Any
Many
Enough
Several
Little
All
Lot of
Plenty of
Another

Articles

A
An
The

Numerals

One
Two
Three
Ten
Fifty
Hundred
Thousand

Predeterminers

All
All of
What
Such
Rather
Quite
Twice
Double
Both

¿SOME y ANY significan lo mismo en inglés?

- Estas dos palabras tienden a confundirse en al hacer la traducción del inglés al español, sin embargo ambas palabras tienen un significado muy distinto dependiendo de cada situación.
- Aquí algunos ejemplos:
 - *Some: algo de, algunos, algunas*
- I have bought **some** apples: He comprado **algunas** manzanas.
- I got some work to do this weekend: Tengo algo de trabajo que hacer este fin de semana.
 - *Any: cualquier, algo de, algún, alguna*
- ¿Do you have **any** milk left?: ¿Tienes **algo de** leche?
- You can take any of those shoes: Puedes llevarte **cualquiera** de esos zapatos.
- En el caso de ambas palabras no se especifica la cantidad exacta de lo que se habla.

¿Cuándo utilizamos **SOME** en inglés?

◦ 1. En oraciones afirmativas, tanto con sustantivos contables como con sustantivos incontables.

➤ I still have **some** fruit in the fridge. -> Aún tengo algo de fruta en el frigorífico.

➤ **Some** of my friends are married. -> Algunos de mis amigos están casados.

2. Para ofrecerle algo a alguien en frases interrogativas.

➤ Do you need **some** sugar for your cake? -> ¿Necesitas algo de azúcar para tu torta?

➤ Can I help you with **some** of these questions? -> ¿Puedo ayudarte con alguna de estas preguntas?

3. Para oraciones interrogativas en las que pedimos permiso, por educación.

➤ May I buy **some** sweets? -> ¿Puedo comprar **algunos** dulces?

➤ Could you please give me **some** time to think? -> ¿Puedes por favor darme **algo de** tiempo para pensar?

¿Cuándo utilizamos **ANY** en inglés?

- **1. En oraciones afirmativas, pero tiene un significado diferente a «some» en este caso. Esta sería la diferencia:**
 - You can choose **any** of those books. -> Puedes elegir **cualquiera** de esos libros.
 - You can choose **some** of those books. -> Puedes elegir **algunos** de esos libros.
- **2. En oraciones negativas, para expresar que ya no queda ninguno o nada de aquello a lo que nos referimos**
 - I don't have **any** questions about the book. It was terrible. -> No tengo **ninguna** pregunta sobre el libro. Era horrible.
 - I'm sorry, but you don't have **any** possibilities. -> Lo siento, pero no tienes **ninguna** posibilidad.
- **3. En oraciones interrogativas, pero en este caso, con un sentido negativo. Por ejemplo, para preguntar, si nos queda algo/alguna de aquello a lo que nos estamos refiriendo.**
 - Is there **any** butter? ¿Hay/queda **algo de** mantequilla?
 - Is there **any** milk left? ¿hay/queda **algo de** leche?
 - Are there **any** apples? ¿Hay/quedan **algunas** manzanas?

Tarea: complete las siguientes oraciones utilizando *some* and *Any*, según corresponda.

1. You can't buy _____ posters in this shop.
2. I have seen _____ nice postcards in this souvenir shop.
3. We need _____ bananas.
4. I have _____ magazines for you.
5. There are _____ apples on the table.
6. Pam does not have _____ pencils on her desk.
7. She always takes _____ sugar with her coffee.
8. We haven't got _____ oranges at the moment.
9. There aren't _____ folders in my bag.
10. Peter has bought _____ new books.



SOME - ANY

Complete the following dialogue with **A**, **AN**, **SOME** or **ANY**.

Peter: Let's make _____ fruit salad.

Mary: Good idea. What do we need?

Peter: We need _____ apple, _____ pear, and _____ oranges.

Mary: We need _____ grapes too.

Peter: I don't want _____ grapes in it. I hate them.

Mary: Do we have _____ strawberries in the fridge?

Peter: No, we don't. We need to buy _____.

Mary: We won't need to add _____ sugar to it.

Write **some** or **any**.

- 1 I bought **some** cheese, but I didn't buy **any** bread.
- 2 In the middle of the room there was a table and chairs.
- 3 There aren't shops in this part of town.
- 4 Gary and Alice don't have children.
- 5 Do you have brothers or sisters?
- 6 There are beautiful flowers in the garden.
- 7 Do you know good hotels in London?
- 8 'Would you like tea?' 'Yes, please.'
- 9 When we were on holiday, we visited interesting places.
- 10 Don't buy rice. We don't need
- 11 I went out to buy bananas, but they didn't have in the shop.
- 12 I'm thirsty. Can I have water, please?

Complete the sentences. Use **some** or **any** + the words in the box.

air **cheese** **help** **milk** **questions**
batteries **friends** **languages** **pictures** ~~**shampoo**~~

- 1 I want to wash my hair. Is there any shampoo ?
- 2 The police want to talk to you. They want to ask you
- 3 I had my camera, but I didn't take
- 4 Do you speak foreign ?
- 5 Yesterday evening I went to a restaurant with of mine.
- 6 Can I have in my coffee, please?
- 7 The radio isn't working. There aren't in it.
- 8 It's hot in this office. I'm going out for fresh
- 9 A: Would you like ?
B: No, thank you. I've had enough to eat.
- 10 I can do this job alone. I don't need