



Answers

1. a) no
2. b) None
3. a) any
4. d) None
5. c) no
6. a) some
7. c) no
8. d) none
9. b) any
10. c) no
11. b) any
12. d) none
13. c) no
14. a) some
15. b) any
16. c) no
17. b) any
18. d) None
19. d) no
20. a) some



Explanations

1. “no” (a)

Use 'no' + noun to make a sentence negative without 'not'. 'There are no eggs' = 'There aren't any eggs'.

2. “None” (b)

Use 'none' when it replaces a noun already mentioned. 'None' stands alone = 'no tickets'. We don't say 'No' by itself as an answer to 'how many'.

3. “any” (a)

Use 'any' in negative sentences. 'Can't find' is negative, so we use 'any of my keys'.

4. “None” (d)

Use 'none of' + noun/pronoun. 'None of the students' = not one of them passed. 'No' cannot be followed by 'of the'.

5. “no” (c)

Use 'no' + noun to make a negative statement without 'not'. 'She has no patience' is more emphatic than 'She doesn't have any patience'.

6. “some” (a)

Use 'some' in questions when offering something. 'Would you like...?' is an offer.

7. “no” (c)

Use 'no' + noun to make the sentence negative. 'There's no reason' = there isn't any reason.

8. “none” (d)

Use 'none of' + pronoun when referring back to a specific group. 'None of them' = not one of my brothers.

9. “any” (b)

Use 'any' after 'not'. 'Don't have any time' is the standard negative form. We cannot say 'don't have no time' — that's a double negative.

10. “no” (c)

Use 'no' + noun to make the sentence negative without 'not'. 'There was no food' means all the food was eaten.

11. “any” (b)

Use 'any' in standard questions. 'Do you have...?' is a genuine question where we don't know the answer.

12. “none” (d)

Use 'none of' + pronoun. 'None of them' = not one shop. We use 'none' (not 'no') before 'of'.

13. “no” (c)

Use 'no' + noun to emphasize zero mistakes. 'No mistakes' = not a single mistake. The second sentence confirms this.

14. “some” (a)

Use 'some' in affirmative sentences. 'I bought' is a positive statement about a past action.

15. “any” (b)

Use 'any' in genuine questions. 'Is there...?' is a question where we don't know the answer.

16. “no” (c)

Use 'no' + noun to make the sentence negative. 'No children' is confirmed by 'it was empty'.

17. “any” (b)

Use 'any of' in questions. 'Have you read...?' is a question about a specific group of articles.

18. “None” (d)

Use 'none of' + noun. 'None of the restaurants' = not a single restaurant. 'No' cannot be followed by 'of the'.

19. “no” (d)

Use 'no' + noun to make the sentence negative. 'He had no idea' is a common fixed expression meaning he was completely unsure.

20. “some” (a)

Use 'some' in questions when making a request. 'Can I borrow...?' is a polite request where you expect a positive answer.