

Indefinite Pronouns

Teacher's Notes

Description: Give a student a sentence with an Indefinite Pronoun in it, and chances are they will understand its meaning. Give them the task of actually *using* Indefinite Pronouns correctly in their own sentences, and things aren't always so simple! The activities in this resource allow students to practise these puzzling parts of speech in a varied and enjoyable manner, both alone and in a group.

Aim: To practise Indefinite Pronouns through a variety of written and communicative exercises.

Procedure: Give each student a copy of the two-page worksheet.

Exercise A: Students begin by completing the sentences, choosing from the words provided.

answer key:

1. any 2. no 3. some 4. every 5. body 6. thing 7. where

Exercise B: Next, students complete the sentences by circling the correct Indefinite Pronoun.

answer key:

1. anybody 2. nothing 3. nobody 4. anything
5. everywhere 6. something 7. nowhere

Exercise C: Students then complete the sentences with a suitable Indefinite Pronoun.

answer key: (In cases where *body* is used, *one* is also acceptable.)

1. anybody 2. something 3. everything 4. somewhere 5. nothing

Exercise D: After this, students complete the sentences using a word from the box on the left and an Indefinite Pronoun from the box on the right.

answer key: (In cases where *body* is used, *one* is also acceptable.)

1. plumber, somebody 6. botanist, everything
2. empty, nothing 7. gym, somewhere
3. secret, anybody 8. vegan, anything
4. homeless, nowhere 9. passport, everybody
5. unoccupied, nobody 10. drill, something

Exercise E: Lastly, students work in groups of four to find a suitable Indefinite Pronoun for each prompt. They then chat among themselves and try and think of a thing, place, or person to match each prompt. This exercise can also be done as a race between groups if desired.

answer key: (In cases where *body* is used, *one* is also acceptable.)

1. everybody 2. nobody 3. somewhere 4. nothing 5. anywhere
6. something 7. someone 8. somewhere 9. nobody 10. something