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Basics. Negative Words: Nobody, Nothing, and Nowhere

Easy | A1 | Elementary | Beginners | A2 | Elementary | Pre-intermediate | Adverb | Negation | Past tense | Present tense | Pronoun | Subject | Verb | Simple tense | Idiom

1. Help the disappointed guest finish their text message.

The party was a complete disaster! I knocked on the door for ten minutes, but ___ answered.

Select one.

A) nobody
B) nothing
C) nowhere
D) anybody

2. Help the brave space explorer report back to Earth! Select ALL the grammatically correct observations about the alien ship.

Select all that apply.

A) Nobody is inside the spaceship.
B) There is nobody inside.
C) Nobody are inside the spaceship.
D) Nobody isn't inside.

3. Help Detective Clueless complete his rather disappointing crime scene report by dragging the correct words into the blanks.

The safe was completely empty, so I found _____ inside it.

The suspect ran away very fast, and now he is _____ to be seen.

I knocked loudly on all the doors in the hallway, but sadly _____ answered.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1
A) nobody
B) nothing
C) nowhere

Blank 2
A) nobody
B) nothing
C) nowhere

Blank 3
A) nothing
B) nowhere
C) nobody

4. Complete the teenager's highly dramatic diary entry about a very boring weekend.

"I walked around the mall all afternoon, but I bought _____ because I forgot my wallet. I tried to call my friends to complain, but _____ answered their phones. Now I am just sitting on the sofa because there is absolutely _____ else to go!"

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1
A) anything
B) nothing
C) nobody

Blank 2
A) anybody
B) nobody
C) nowhere

Blank 3

A) anywhere
B) nowhere
C) nothing

5. Captain Bluebeard is very confused because he cannot find his gold. Select ALL the sentences the pirate can correctly say.

Select all that apply.

A) The treasure is nowhere on the map!
B) There is nowhere to go.
C) The treasure isn't nowhere on the map!
D) There isn't nowhere to go.

6. Help the frantic driver complete their sentence.

I have searched the entire house for my car keys. I've looked under the sofa, in the kitchen, and even in the microwave, but they are ___ to be found!

Select one.

A) nothing
B) nowhere
C) nobody
D) anywhere

7. Complete the alien explorer's travel log about a very boring visit to an Earth ghost town. Choose the correct negative words to finish the story.

We landed the ship in the town square, but there was _____ there to shake our hands.

We tried to buy souvenirs, but the dusty shops had _____ left on the shelves.

We wanted to hide our giant UFO from the rain, but there was _____ dry to park it.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

A) nowhere
B) nobody
C) nothing

Blank 2

A) nobody
B) nowhere
C) nothing

Blank 3

A) nobody
B) nothing
C) nowhere

8. It is midnight and you are very hungry, but your refrigerator is completely empty! Select ALL the sentences that correctly describe this tragic situation.

Select all that apply.

A) I have nothing to eat.
B) There is nothing in the fridge.
C) I don't have nothing to eat.
D) There aren't nothing in the fridge.

9. Complete the hungry roommate's dramatic complaint.

I am absolutely starving! I opened the fridge hoping to find some leftover pizza, but there is ___ to eat.

Select one.

- **A)** nobody
- **B)** nowhere
- **C)** nothing
- **D)** anything

10. Help the disappointed ghost hunter complete his video log by selecting the correct word for each gap.

"We waited for hours in the dark hallway, but _____ came through the door. I even looked inside the creepy old box, but there was _____ inside except dust. The famous ghost was _____ to be seen! I think this house is just empty."

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** anybody
- **B)** nobody
- **C)** nothing

Blank 2

- **A)** anything
- **B)** nothing
- **C)** nowhere

Blank 3

- **A)** anywhere
- **B)** nowhere
- **C)** nothing