

# All, no

## Introduction



We interviewed **all** the candidates last week but we had **no** luck.

## Definition

**All** and **no** are quantifiers.

We use **all** to talk about the whole amount or quantity of something. We use **no** to refer to 'not **any**' or 'not one'.

## Construction

Here are some examples:

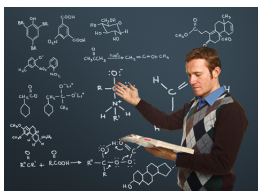
<b>All</b>	+ singular noun	I was in Paris <b>all</b> week.
	+ plural countable noun	<b>All</b> children like sweets.
	+ uncountable noun	<b>All</b> information will be available.
	+ 'the', possessive adjective or determiner	<b>All</b> <u>the</u> invitations are ready. <b>All</b> <u>my</u> colleagues are English. <b>All</b> <u>these</u> computers are broken.
	without a noun	<b>All</b> is well.

<b>No</b>	+ singular noun	<b>No child likes bedtime.</b>
	+ plural countable noun	<b>No children like bedtime.</b>
	+ uncountable noun	<b>No information is available.</b>

## Uses

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<b>All</b>	To talk about a whole amount  To talk about <b>every</b> person or object  To mean 'the only thing(s)'  With time periods	We drank <b>all</b> the water.  We ate <b>all</b> the sandwiches.  <b>All</b> I ate yesterday was a sandwich - I'm so hungry.  I was busy <b>all</b> day.
<b>No</b>	To mean 'not <b>any</b> ' or 'not one'  When something is forbidden	There is <b>no</b> milk in the fridge. There are <b>no</b> men in this team.  " <b>No</b> smoking in this building."

## Examples



I'm afraid there's **no** easy solution to this.



"How do you like your tea?" "Milk, **no** sugar, thanks."



There's **no** swimming here.



**All** I did this morning was check my email. I had absolutely **no** time to start this report!



He ate **all** the cake.



I think we have **all** we need now - let's start.



He was awake **all** night.

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