

# 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:

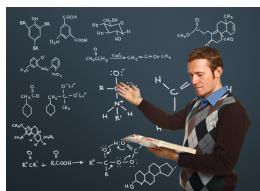
All	+ singular noun	I was in Paris <b>all</b> week.
	+ plural countable noun	All children like sweets.
	+ uncountable noun	All information will be available.
	+ 'the', possessive adjective or determiner	<b>All</b> <u>the</u> invitations are ready. All <u>my</u> colleagues are English. All <u>these</u>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

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

## Uses

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

## 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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