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Quiz topic: Negatives

1. I don't know *what* to make for dinner; there's _____ in the cupboards!
a) no one
b) none
c) no
d) nothing
2. 'Who left all this washing-up? _____ of it is mine.'
a) no one
b) none
c) no
d) nothing
3. A: 'What did you say?' B: '_____'.
a) no one
b) none
c) no
d) nothing
4. There are _____ young single people living in this town – only old people and young families.
a) no one
b) none
c) no
d) nothing
5. _____ phoned while I was out, did they? I'm expecting an important call from the States.
a) No one
b) None
c) No
d) Nothing
6. A: 'How much luggage have you got?' B: '_____ – I like to travel light!'
a) no one
b) none
c) no
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Answers

1. I don't know *what* to make for dinner; there's _____ in the cupboards!

- a) no one
- b) none
- c) no
- d) nothing**

a) You can say 'someone', 'everyone' or 'no one' to talk about people – another way of saying 'no one' is 'nobody'.

b) 'None' can mean 'not one' e.g. 'None of the students was there on time.'

c) You can use 'no + noun' e.g. 'I've got no money' (= 'I haven't got any money')

d) You can say 'something', 'nothing' or 'everything' (nothing = not anything) – when you use nothing, do not use a negative verb (NOT there isn't nothing)

2. 'Who left all this washing-up? _____ of it is mine'

- a) no one
- b) none**
- c) no
- d) nothing

a) Use 'no one' to talk about people – another way of saying 'no one' is 'nobody'.

b) 'None' can mean 'not any' e.g. 'None of this money is mine' (= not any)

c) You can use 'no + noun' e.g. 'He's got no friends' (= 'He hasn't got any friends')

d) You can say 'something', 'nothing' or 'everything' (nothing = not anything)

3. A: 'What did you say?' B: '_____ '.

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a) Use 'no one' to talk about people – another way of saying 'no one' is 'nobody'.

b) 'None' can mean 'not any' e.g. 'None of this money is mine' (= not any)

c) You can use 'no + noun' e.g. 'He's got no friends' (= 'He hasn't got any friends')

d) You can use 'nothing' as a one word answer to a question.

4. There are _____ young single people living in this town – only old people and young families.

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- c) no**
- d) nothing

a) Try again.

b) 'None' can mean 'not any' e.g. 'None of this money is mine' (= not any)

c) You can use 'no + noun' e.g. 'He's got no friends' (= 'He hasn't got any friends')

d) Use 'nothing' to say 'not anything' e.g. 'I've got nothing to say to you'

5. _____ phoned while I was out, did they? I'm expecting an important call from the States.

- a) No one**
- b) None
- c) No
- d) Nothing

a) 'No one' is another way of saying 'nobody'.

b) 'None' can mean 'not any' e.g. 'None of this money is mine' (= not any)

c) You can use 'no + noun' e.g. 'He's got no friends' (= 'He hasn't got any friends')

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6. A: 'How much luggage have you got?' B: ' _____ – I like to travel light!'

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