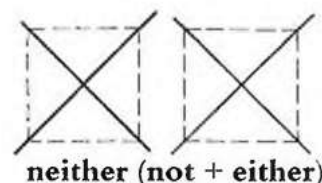
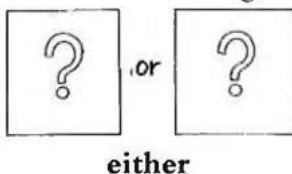
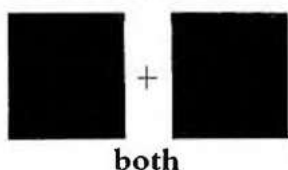


LESSON 7 – PLURAL NOUNS - NEITHER / EITHER / BOTH

NEITHER / EITHER / BOTH

We use **both/either/neither** to talk about *two* things or people:



◆ AI Overview

The correct pronunciation of "either" is "eye-ther" and "neither" is "nee-ther" - both with a long "ee" sound as in "see" at the start, and the "th" sound as in "thin" in the middle. [🔗](#)

Key points:

- "Either": "eye-ther"
- "Neither": "nee-ther" [🔗](#)

Used to compare two things or people.

Stick printout of both/either/neither on the board

both	+	<i>plural:</i>	both	windows/books/children <i>etc.</i>
either neither	+	<i>singular:</i>	either neither	} window/book/child <i>etc.</i>

Board Examples

Both you and I like electronic **music**. **Both** the buildings are tall.

Both **children** are naughty.

Would you like Tea **or** Coffee (*singular*). You can have **either**.

I like **neither** coffee **nor** tea.

First, I worked in an office, then a factory. I liked **neither** (job).

Neither the boy **nor** the man knew what time it was.

There are two roads to get to Fatuquero. You can go **either** way.

both of ... / either of ... / neither of ...

both	of	the ...
either		these / those ...
neither		my / your / Ann's ... etc.

Use "OF" when describing specific painting.

Both of my parents live in England.

Neither of my children are clever (implies 2 children!!!)

Do you like **either of these** paintings?

Do you like **either of those** paintings?

I like **neither**! I like **neither** that painting **nor** this painting.

both	of	them
either		us
neither		you

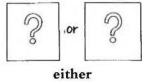
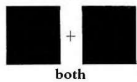
James has two brothers. **Both of them** exercise every day.

Do you think **either of us** will win the prize?

Neither of you seem to be listening to me!

More than 2 = **None of you** seem to be listening to me.

We use **both/either/neither** to talk about *two* things or people:



both	+ plural:	both	windows/books/children etc.
either	+ singular:	either	} window/book/child etc.
neither		neither	

both of ... / either of ... / neither of ...

both	of	the ...
either		these / those ...
neither		my / your / Ann's ... etc.

both	of	them
either		us
neither		you

Put in **both/either/neither**. Use **of** where necessary.

- Last year I went to Paris and Rome. I liked both cities very much.
- There were two pictures on the wall. I didn't like either of them.
- It was a good football match. teams played well.
- It wasn't a good football match. team played well.
- 'Is your friend English or American?' '..... . She's Australian.'
- We went away for two days but the weather wasn't good. It rained on days.
- A: I bought two newspapers. Which one do you want?
B: It doesn't matter which one.
- I invited Diana and Mike to the party but them came.
- 'Do you go to work by car or by bus?' '..... . I always walk.'
- 'Which jacket do you prefer, this one or that one?' 'I don't like them.'
- 'Do you work or are you a student?' '..... . I've got a job and I study too.'
- Paula and I didn't know the time because us had a watch.
- Ann has got two sisters and a brother. sisters are married.
- Ann has got two sisters and a brother. I've met her brother but I haven't met her sisters.

Complete the sentences for the pictures. Use **Both ...** and **Neither ...**



- Both cups are empty.
- are open.
- wearing a hat.
- cameras.
- to the airport.
- right.

A man and a woman answered some questions. Their answers were the same. Write sentences with **Both/Neither of them ...**

1 Are you married?	No	No	→ 1
2 How old are you?	21	21	→ 2
3 Are you a student?	Yes	Yes	→ 3
4 Have you got a car?	No	No	→ 4
5 Where do you live?	London	London	→ 5
6 Do you like cooking?	Yes	Yes	→ 6
7 Can you play the piano?	No	No	→ 7
8 Do you read newspapers?	Yes	Yes	→ 8
9 Are you interested in sport?	No	No	→ 9

- 1 Neither of them is married.
- 2 Both of them are 21.
- 3 students.
- 4 a car.
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9