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Both, either, neither

Nós usamos **both, either e neither** para falar sobre duas pessoas ou duas coisas.

both = A e B (duas coisas ou pessoas, ambos, ambas)

either = A ou B (uma coisa/pessoa OU a outra coisa/pessoa)

neither = nem A nem B (zero de duas coisas ou pessoas)

Both / either / neither + substantivo

Podemos usar both/either/neither + substantivo

I like **both** places.

You can park on **either** side of the street.

Neither parent came to meet the teacher.

Perceba que usamos

both + plural

either/neither + singular

Both (of) / either of / neither of

Podemos usar both (of) / either of / neither of + the/these/my/her/Peter's/etc. + substantivo

Both (of) your parents are really nice.

Either of those two dates is perfect for the wedding.

(=nós podemos escolher uma ou a outra)

Perceba que não precisamos usar of após both

Both of your parents are really nice. = Both your parents are really nice.

Neither of the tennis players had a great game.

Nós podemos usar both of / either of / neither of + us/you/them

Both of them did very well in the exam. (NOT Both them)

Can **either** of you give me a coin for the vending machine?

Neither of us knows the truth.

Both / either / neither (sem um substantivo)

Nós também podemos usar both/either/neither sozinho, sem nenhum substantivo.

A: Do you speak French or Spanish? B: I speak **both**.

A: Do you want tea or coffee? B: **Either**. I don't mind.

A: Which car do you prefer? B: **Neither**. I think both of them are horrible.

Both ... and .../ either ... or ... / neither ... nor ...

Nós podemos falar both ... and .../ either ... or ... / neither ... nor ... para mencionar as duas coisas ou pessoas das quais estamos falando.

She ate **both** the rice and the beans.

Both Joey and Tom helped me with my report.

You need to speak one foreign language, **either** Spanish or English.

You can **either** wait here or go home.

I like **neither** maths nor physics.

He **neither** called nor texted.

Remember this!

Use either e neither com um verbo no singular.

Either candidate is good.

Neither of the candidates is good.

(not) either= neither.

I don't like either of the options. = I like neither of the options.

A palavra neither é negativa, então não faça uso dela em frases negativas, use-a com frases afirmativas.

Neither Mark nor Jess can come. (NOT Neither ... can't come.)

Nós também usamos a palavra both em frases positivas, afirmativas.

Nós só podemos usar either com frases negativas:

I didn't like either of the pictures. (NOT I didn't like both/neither of the pictures.)

BOTH, EITHER, NEITHER

BOTH

POSITIVE VERBS
= ONE AND THE OTHER

BOTH a AND b

Both Jane and Margaret passed the exam.

BOTH (OF THE)
+ noun

Both (of the) students passed the exam.

BOTH OF +
object pronoun

Both of them passed the exam.

BOTH
in mid position

They both passed it. They were both happy.

EITHER

POSITIVE OR
NEGATIVE VERBS
= ONE OR THE OTHER

EITHER a OR b

Either Sue or her sister has been here.

EITHER +
singular noun

You can fish from either side of the river.

EITHER OF THE
+ plural noun

Either of the cars is a good purchase.

EITHER OF +
object pronoun

Choose one of the cars. Either of them is OK.

NEITHER

POSITIVE VERBS
= NOT ONE OR THE OTHER

NEITHER a
NOR b

Neither Sue nor her sister has been here.

NEITHER +
singular noun

Neither candidate is a good option.

NEITHER OF THE
+ plural noun

Neither of the candidates is a good option.

NEITHER OF +
object pronoun

I like neither of them.