

**A** everybody/everyone/everything and all

We say:

- ☐ **Everybody** was happy. or **Everyone** was happy. (*not* all were happy)
- ☐ He thinks he knows **everything**. (*not* knows all)
- ☐ Our holiday was a disaster. **Everything** went wrong. (*not* all went wrong)

We do not often use **all** *alone* in this way. We do not say 'all were happy', 'he knows all' etc.

We use **all** in the following ways:

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| <b>all</b> + noun ( <b>all cars</b> , <b>all my money</b> etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>All my friends</b> were happy.   |
| <b>all of</b> + <b>us/you/them</b>                              | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>All of us</b> were happy.  |
| <b>we/you/they ... all ...</b> (see also Unit 110D)             | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>We</b> were <b>all</b> happy.  |
| <b>all about ...</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> He knows <b>all about computers</b> .   |
| <b>all ...</b> = the only thing(s)                              | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>All I've eaten today</b> is a banana.<br>(= the only thing I've eaten today) |

**B** whole and all

**Whole** = complete, entire. We use **whole** mostly with *singular* nouns:

- ☐ Did you read **the whole book**? (= all the book, not just a part of it)
- ☐ Emily has lived **her whole life** in the same town.
- ☐ I was so hungry, I ate **a whole packet** of biscuits. (= a complete packet)

We do not normally use **whole** with *uncountable* nouns (**water**, **food**, **money** etc.).

We say:

- ☐ Did you spend **all the money** I gave you? (*not* the whole money)
- ☐ I read **all the information** carefully. (*not* the whole information)

We use **the/my/a** etc. before **whole**. Compare **whole** and **all**:

- ☐ I read **the whole** book. *but* I read **all the** information.

**C** every day / all day / the whole day

We use **every** to say how often something happens (**every day** / **every ten minutes** etc.):

- ☐ When we were on holiday, we went to the beach **every day**. (*not* all days)
- ☐ The bus service is excellent. There's a bus **every ten minutes**.
- ☐ We don't see each other very often – about **every six months**.

**All day** or **the whole day** = the complete day from beginning to end:

- ☐ We spent **all day** on the beach. or We spent **the whole day** ...
- ☐ Dan was very quiet. He didn't say a word **all evening**. or ... **the whole evening**.

Note that we say **all day** (*not* all the day), **all week** (*not* all the week) etc.

Compare **all the time** and **every time**:

- ☐ They never go out. They are at home **all the time**. (= always, continuously)
- ☐ **Every time** I see you, you look different. (= each time, on every occasion)

**D** Every/everybody/everyone/everything are singular words, so we use a singular verb:

- ☐ **Every seat** in the theatre **was** taken.
- ☐ **Everybody has** arrived. (*not* have arrived)

But we use **they/them/their** after **everybody/everyone**:

- ☐ **Everybody** said **they** enjoyed **themselves**. (= everybody enjoyed himself or herself)

## Exercises

**90.1** Complete these sentences with **all**, **everything** or **everybody/everyone**.

- 1 It was a good party. Everybody had a great time.
- 2 All I've eaten today is a banana.
- 3 ..... has their faults. Nobody is perfect.
- 4 Nothing has changed. .... is the same as it was.
- 5 Kate told me ..... about her new job. It sounds interesting.
- 6 Can ..... write their names on a piece of paper, please?
- 7 Why are you always thinking about money? Money isn't .....
- 8 I'm really exhausted. .... I want to do is sleep.
- 9 When the fire alarm rang, ..... left the building immediately.
- 10 Amy didn't say where she was going. .... she said was that she was going away.
- 11 We have completely different opinions. I disagree with ..... she says.
- 12 We all did well in the exam. .... in our class passed.
- 13 We all did well in the exam. .... of us passed.
- 14 Why are you so lazy? Why do you expect me to do ..... for you?

**90.2** Write sentences with **whole**.

- 1 I read the book from beginning to end. I read the whole book.
- 2 Everyone in the team played well.  
The .....
- 3 Paul opened a box of chocolates. He started eating. When he finished, there were no chocolates left in the box. He ate .....
- 4 The police came to the house. They were looking for something. They searched everywhere, every room. They .....
- 5 Everyone in Ed and Jane's family plays tennis. Ed and Jane play, and so do all their children.  
The .....
- 6 Sarah worked from early in the morning until late in the evening.  
.....
- 7 Jack and Lisa had a week's holiday by the sea. It rained from the beginning of the week to the end of the week. It .....

Now write sentences 6 and 7 again using **all** instead of **whole**.

- 8 (6) Sarah .....
- 9 (7) .....

**90.3** Complete these sentences using **every** with the following:

**five minutes      ten minutes      four hours      six months      four years**

- 1 The bus service is very good. There's a bus every ten minutes.
- 2 Tom is ill. He has some medicine. He has to take it .....
- 3 The Olympic Games take place .....
- 4 We live near a busy airport. A plane flies over our house .....
- 5 Martin goes to the dentist for a check-up .....

**90.4** Which is right?

- 1 Did you spend ~~the whole money~~ / all the money I gave you? (all the money is correct)
- 2 Eve works every day / all days except Sunday.
- 3 I'm tired. I've been working hard all the day / all day.
- 4 It was a terrible fire. Whole building / The whole building was destroyed.
- 5 It's a very sad song. Every time / All the time I hear it, it makes me cry.
- 6 I don't like the weather here. It rains every time / all the time.
- 7 When I was on holiday, all my luggage / my whole luggage was stolen.