

Indefinite Pronouns

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B P

Example: Any (of the people) of Iran enjoy Norooz, or New Year's Day.

1. On this holiday, everybody celebrates the arrival of spring.
2. Few of us realize the meaning of spring for these people.
3. Most of them live through long, cold winters and hot summers.
4. Some of the preparation for Norooz begins about two months before the holiday.
5. All of the shops stock special holiday foods.
6. Families buy new clothing and anything needed for their homes.
7. Each of their homes receives a "house shaking," or cleaning.
8. Each family takes pride in their home.
9. None of the families would miss this occasion.
10. Everyone feels the reward of Norooz.

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2. Everybody checked (his or her, their) coat at the door.
3. All of the teams missed (his or her, their) buses.
4. Both of the explorers carved (his, their) canoes from thick ponderosa pine trees.
5. Someone left (her or his, their) raincoat in the theater.
6. None of the women will cast (her, their) votes in favor of the candidate.

7. No one who lived through the Depression can forget (his or her, their) suffering.
8. Most of the cargo plane was filled before (its, their) flight.
9. Because each of the boys did (his, their) part, the project was completed.
10. Anyone with a free hour may write (his or her, their) name on the list.

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