

some - any

some (+) etwas, einige, ein paar ...

... in positiven Sätzen.

I've bought some milk for breakfast.
There are some tomatoes in the fridge.
I'd like some tea.

any (-) kein, keine

... in negativen Sätzen.

I haven't bought any bread.
We couldn't find any oranges in the supermarket.
We did not drink any tea. It was too hot.

any (?) etwas, einige, ein paar, irgendein(e) ...

... in neutralen Fragen.

Have you bought any bread?
Do you play any instrument?
Could you find any fresh fruit?

Mind

Im Zusammenhang mit never, without, hardly verwendet man in positiven Sätzen any.

She did the exercise without any help.
I hardly found any good books.

Verwende some in Fragen, die eine positive Antwort erwarten lassen.

Would you like some cake?
Could you give me some orange juice, please?

some und any in zusammengesetzten Wörtern

something – etwas
anything – nichts (bzw. etwas in Fragen)

someone – jemand
anyone – niemand (bzw. jemand in Fragen)

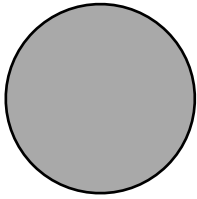
somewhere – irgendwo
anywhere – nirgendwo (bzw. irgendwo in Fragen)

some - any

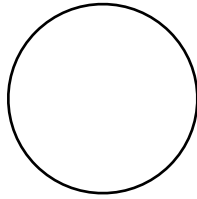
Manchmal hilft diese Methode:

Alles oder Nichts

--> any



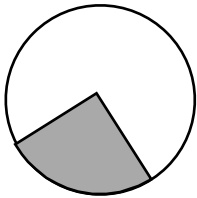
I like any pop-music. (Alles)



I don't like any pop-music. (Nichts)

ein Teil des Ganzen

--> some



I like some pop-music. (The Beatles schon, aber nicht Eminem)