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Either ... or / neither ... nor

Date: _____

Grammar Station

We can use 'either ... or / neither ... nor' to connect two things or ideas.

We use 'either ... or' to talk about choices and possibility. We use 'neither ... nor' to talk about negative ideas. We can put them:

before verbs;

You can	either	eat	or	drink	here.
	neither		nor		

before nouns;

You can have	either	coffee	or	tea.
	neither		nor	

before subjects

Either	Jane	or	I	will come.
Neither		nor		

A Fill in the blanks with 'either ... or / neither ... nor'.

- You can hand in the form _____ in person _____ by fax but you cannot hand it in by email.
- Miss Ho is healthy. She _____ goes swimming _____ plays badminton after work.
- No one is coming to their party, _____ his friends _____ her friends.
- _____ James _____ Irene knows how to train dogs. They are both experienced dog trainers.
- My parents are busy. _____ Mum _____ Dad will come to the School Open Day.

B Join the sentences with 'either ... or / neither ... nor'.

- Tommy can clean the beach. Tommy can plant the trees.
Tommy can either _____.

2. Kevin does not like cooking. Susie does not like cooking either.

3. We can sell handmade crafts. We can sell second-hand goods.

4. Mimi will visit an old people's home. Mandy will visit an old people's home.

5. We do not play the guitar. We do not play the violin.

6. The children will not sell raffle tickets. The children will not buy raffle tickets.

7. Judy did not draw the picture. I did not draw the picture.

C There is one mistake or one missing word in each line. Circle the mistake or put 'A' in the correct place and write the correct word in the blank.

Mum: Have you decide to buy anything yet?

Kim: I will buy either the blue dress the red dress.

Mum: I prefer the blue one. It looks good with neither your red shoes or black shoes.

Kim: Okay. May try the blue dress in medium size?

Sales: They are out of stock. You can try either small nor large.

Kim: Then can you give me red dress in medium size?

Sales: Sorry. Either the blue one nor the red one is available in medium.

e.g. decided

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

D Ada is talking to Mrs Wu at an old people's home. Complete the dialogue with 'either ... or / neither ... nor' and the given words.

Ada: Mrs Wu, may I ask why do you live here?

Mrs Wu: Well, I am alone in Hong Kong. My husband passed away many years ago. (e.g.) Neither my son nor my daughter (my son / my daughter) lives here. I moved to this home so that someone can look after me.

Ada: Why don't you live with your son or daughter?

Mrs Wu: My son is in Spain and my daughter is in France. I speak (1) _____ (Spanish / French). I cannot live in those countries.

Ada: I see. Do your son and daughter often contact you?

Mrs Wu: Yes, they (2) _____
_____ (call me / send messages to me).

Ada: Do you have any relatives in Hong Kong?

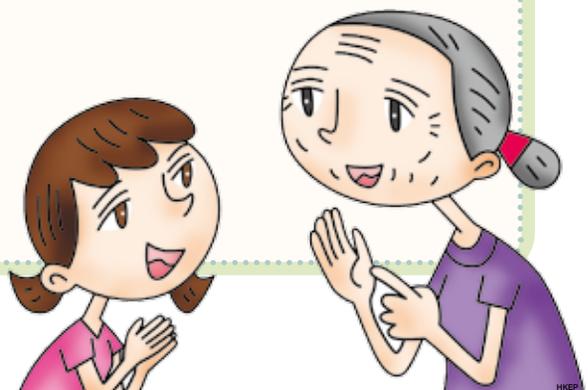
Mrs Wu: Yes, I have a cousin here. We meet once a week. She (3) _____
_____ (visit me / bring me out for dim sum).

Ada: What do you usually do in your spare time?

Mrs Wu: I usually do exercise to stay healthy. When I was young, I (4) _____
_____ (not do any exercise / not have good living habits). But now I (5) _____
(not smoke / not drink). I play Tai Chi (6) _____
_____ (in the morning / after dinner) every day.

Ada: We have made some small gifts for you. You can choose (7) _____
(the key ring / the photo frame). Which one do you like?

Mrs Wu: I like the photo frame. It is lovely. Thank you.



Revision 1 (Units 1 - 9)



Date: _____

A Jack is writing an article for the school magazine. Complete the article with the correct form of the given words. Add 'to' when necessary. (Tenses, to-infinitives)

In the past, I (1) _____ (think) it was boring (2) _____ (do) charity work. But I (3) _____ (change) this view since I (4) _____ (join) the social service team.

We (5) _____ (hold) different volunteer activities every month. Last month, we (6) _____ (invite) some poor children to our school and (7) _____ (perform) a comedy show to them. Everyone (8) _____ (laugh) while they (9) _____ (watch) the show. We (10) _____ (feel) happy too when we (11) _____ (see) their smiles.

We (12) _____ (visit) an elderly home next month. To cheer them up, we plan (13) _____ (sing) some old songs for them. I hope they (14) _____ (like) our performance.

B Join the sentences using 'if'. Use the correct form of the verbs. (Conditional sentences (Type 1))

1. The bus does not come in ten minutes. I am late for school.

If _____.

2. Harry forgets to hand in his homework again. Mr Tam calls his parent.

If _____.

3. You eat too many ice creams. You will get a stomach-ache.

_____ if _____.

4. A typhoon comes. The wooden hut collapses.

_____ if _____.



C Nolan is writing a report on Happy Holiday Village for the school camp. Complete the report with 'too / very', 'very little / very few / enough / not enough' and the correct form of the given words.

(Too / very, very little / very few / enough / not enough)

far	dark	fresh	convenient	bus
sign	hot	drinking water	facility	noise

Happy Holiday Village

Accessibility

It is (1) _____ to go to the village. It is near the MTR station and there are a bus stop and a minibus stop nearby. However, there are (2) _____ at night. You will need to wait for 30 minutes for the next bus after 9:30 p.m. There are (3) _____ to show you the way to the village. You can reach the village easily by following the signs.

Environment

The village is far from the city so the air there is (4) _____. There is (5) _____ from people and vehicles so it is a good place for relaxing. However, the village is (6) _____ at night. It is dangerous to walk around without a torch after sunset. Also, there are not any air-conditioners or fans in the village house. It is (7) _____ to sleep there in summer.

Facilities

There are (8) _____ for students to do different activities. For example, you can play tennis on the tennis court or watch birds on the bird trail. But there is only one tuck shop in the main sports centre. It is (9) _____ away from most of the other facilities. You need to walk a long way to buy drinks. There is (10) _____ provided near the facilities. You need to bring some water with you.

D Ella and Judy are discussing what to do on the weekend. Complete the dialogue with the given words.

(Connectives: so that / because / so, either ... or / neither ... nor, making suggestions)

either ... or
neither ... nor

Shall we Let's
How about

so that because
so

Ella: Do you have any plans for this weekend?

Judy: I want to do some sports (1) _____ I can become healthier.
(2) _____ go swimming or jogging?

Ella: I have hurt my leg (3) _____ I fell on the ground yesterday. I
can (4) _____ swim _____ jog for the time being.

Judy: (5) _____ making some desserts by ourselves at home?
My aunt has given me some fresh berries from her garden
(6) _____ we can make a berry tart or a berry cake.

Ella: But I can make (7) _____ berry tarts _____ berry
cakes.

Judy: (8) _____ invite (9) _____ Sandy _____ Belle
to join us? They are good at making desserts.

Ella: (10) _____ invite both of them. It will be more fun to have
more people cooking together.

Judy: OK. I will ask Sandy (11) _____ I will meet her in the drawing
lesson later.

Ella: I will call Belle then. Where should we make the tarts? I can
(12) _____ do it at my home _____ go to yours.

Judy: My oven is broken (13) _____ we cannot do it at my home.
Sorry.

Ella: Never mind. (14) _____ do it at my home then. I will prepare
the baking tools and the ingredients.

Judy: (15) _____ buying the ingredients together (16) _____
you do not need to prepare so many things?

Ella: Good idea. Thank you.

Final Revision (Units 1 - 18)



Date: _____

A There is one mistake or one missing word in each question. Circle the mistake or put 'x' in the correct place and write the correct word in the blank. (All units)

e.g. I (slip) on the floor last week.

slipped

1. If Bob failed the test, his mother will throw away his comics.

2. It is satisfying bake a cake by yourself.

3. I practised the piano a lot so I could win the competition.

4. The hat is very small. It does not fit me.

5. Poor people receive very few help from the government.

6. You can neither swim or fish in this pond. Stay away from it.

7. We are looking after Harry. He is missing in the park.

8. My room tidied by myself every day.

9. You should tell the teacher until you go to the toilet.

10. We could not make up stories and lie to our friends.

B Miss Tam is talking to her class about their upcoming trip to a country park. Complete what she says with 'either ... or / neither ... nor'.

(Either ... or / neither ... nor)

You will go to the country park next week. Remember to bring your lunch box on that day. You can bring (1) _____ salads _____ sandwiches. (2) _____ French fries _____ fried chicken wings are recommended because fast food is unhealthy. When you are in the country park, you can (3) _____ play badminton _____ fly a kite. You must not do harm to the environment. You must (4) _____ pick flowers _____ break the tree branches. Don't climb on the trees because you may (5) _____ twist your ankle _____ break your arm.