Read Grammar & Do exercises

Both, either and neither

Use:

1) **Both**

Both means two of two things.

I have two cats. I like both of them.

2) Neither

Neither means not one or the other of two things. Жоден означає ні одне, ні інше з двох речей. Neither of my cats is grey.

Remember to use a singular verb after neither.

Neither of the dogs are dangerous. => Neither of the dogs is dangerous.

3) Either

Either means one or the other. Або означає те чи інше.

There are two cakes. Please have one. You can have either one.

Form:

1) You can use both, neither and either **directly before a noun.** безпосередньо перед іменником.

Both supermarkets are good.

Neither supermarket sells electrical goods.

We can go to either supermarket, I don't mind.

2) Both, neither and either are often used with 'of'. But you must always use a determiner визначник (the, my, these, those, his etc) before the noun.

Both of children like chocolate cake. => Both of the children like chocolate cake.

However, you don't have to use of with both.

Both of the children like chocolate cake.

Both children like chocolate cake.

3) You can use both, neither and either+ of + object pronoun(you, them, us).

Both of them wore white dresses.

Neither of us was late.

Have either of you got a pen?

4) You can use both ... and ...; neither ... nor ..., and either ... or

Examples:

Both James and Diana work here.

Neither James nor Diana works here.

You can ask either James or Diana.

Exercise 1

Complete the sentences with **both/neither/either** .

1.	'Would you like tea or coffee?' ' I really don't mind.'
2.	'What day is it today – the 7th or the 8th?' ' It's the 10th.'
3.	A: Where did you go on your trip – London or Paris?
4.	B: We went to A week in London and a week in Paris.

5. 'Shall we sit in the corner or by the window?' ' I don't mind.'		
6. 'Where's Ann? Is she at work or at home?' She's away on holiday.'		
Exercise 2		
Complete the sentences with both/neither/either . Use of where necessary.		
1) parents are from London.		
2) To get to the town centre, you can go along the footpath by the river or you can go along the road. You can go way.		
3) I tried twice to phone Carl, but times he was out.		
4) Tom's parents is English. His father is Polish and his mother is Italian.		
5) I saw an accident this morning. One car drove into the back of another. Fortunately driver was injured, but cars were badly damaged.		
6) I've got two sisters and a brother brother is working, but sisters are still at school.		
Exercise 3		
Complete the sentences with $both/neither/either + of us / of them$.		
1) I asked two people the way to the station, but could help me.		
2) I was invited to two parties last week, but I couldn't go to		
3) There were two windows in the room. it was very warm, so I opened		
4) Sarah and I play tennis together regularly, but we're not very good can play very well.		
5) I tried two bookshops for the book I wanted, but had it.		
Exercise 4		
Write sentences with both and / neither nor / either or		
1) Example: Chris was late. So was Pat. Both Chris and Pat were late.		
2) He didn't say hello, and he didn't smile.		
3) Joe is on holiday and so is Sam.		
4) Joe doesn't have a car. Sam doesn't have one either.		

5) Brian doesn't watch TV and he doesn't read newspapers.	
6) It was a boring movie. it was long too.	
The movie	
7) Is that man's name Richard? Or is it Robert? it's one of the two.	
That man's name	
8) I haven't got time to go on holiday. And I don't have the money.	
I have	
9) We can leave today or we can leave tomorrow – whichever you prefer.	
We	
Exercise 5	
Complete the sentences with neither/either/none/any.	
1) We tried a lot of hotels, but of them had any rooms.	
2) I took two books with me on holiday, but I didn't read of them.	
3) I took five books with me on holiday, but I didn't read of them.	
4) There are a few shops at the end of the street, but of them sells newspapers.	
5) You can phone me at time during the evening. I'm always at home.	
6) I can meet you next Monday or Friday. Would of those days suit you?	
7) John and I couldn't get into the house because of us had a key.	