

## Focus: Individual items vs Groups, Patterns with 'of', Distributive Usage

In English, **Each** and **Every** are similar in meaning, but they are used in different grammatical structures and contexts.

### 1. Conceptual Difference: Individual vs. Group

- **Each:** We think of things **one by one** (individually).
  - *Example:* Study **each** sentence carefully. (Look at them one at a time).
- **Every:** We think of things **as a group** (similar to "all").
  - *Example:* **Every** sentence must be correct. (All the sentences together).

Feature	Each	Every
Number	Used for <b>2</b> or more things.	Used for <b>3</b> or more things.
Focus	Individual members.	The group as a whole.
Frequency	rare (use <i>every</i> ).	Common (e.g., <i>every day</i> ).
With 2 things	<b>Required.</b> (e.g., in <i>each</i> hand).	<b>Impossible.</b>

### 2. Grammatical Patterns with EACH

#### A. With a Noun (Determiner)

- **Structure:** Each + Singular Countable Noun + Singular Verb.
  - *Example:* **Each student has** a laptop. (Not: ~~Each students~~).

#### B. With 'Of' (Partitive)

- **Structure:** Each of + (the/my/these/them) + Plural Noun/Pronoun + Singular Verb.
  - *Example:* **Each of the** houses **has** a garden.
  - *Example:* **Each of us** agrees.

#### C. At the End (Distributive)

- We can place each after the object or at the end of the sentence to show price or share per person.
  - *Example:* The tickets cost £50 **each**.

#### D. As a Pronoun

- We can use each or each one alone if the noun is understood.
  - *Example:* There are two options. **Each** is difficult. / **Each one** is difficult.

### 3. Grammatical Patterns with EVERY

#### A. With a Noun (Determiner)

- **Structure:** Every + Singular Countable Noun + Singular Verb.
  - *Example:* **Every child** needs love.

#### B. Every one (Two words)

- Every cannot be used with "of" directly. We must add "one".
- **Structure:** Every one of + (the/these/them) + Plural Noun + Singular Verb.
  - *Example:* **Every one of** the cakes was delicious. (Emphasis on *single items*).
- *Note:* **Everyone** (one word) means "all people". **Every one** (two words) emphasizes each single item or person in a list.

# Practice Exercises

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## Instructions

Complete the sentences using **each**, **every**, **each of**, **every one of**, or **each one**.

- Pay attention to whether the noun is singular or plural.
- Look for determiners like "the", "these", or "us".
- Check if the context refers to 2 things (use *each*) or a group.

1. She was carrying a heavy bag in \_\_\_\_\_ hand. (Two hands).
2. The teacher wants to speak to \_\_\_\_\_ parent individually.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ the students passed the final exam; nobody failed.
4. There are two bedrooms in the flat. \_\_\_\_\_ has a window.
5. I didn't enjoy \_\_\_\_\_ moment of the movie, but most of it was good.
6. The cakes look delicious. How much are they \_\_\_\_\_ ?
7. Has \_\_\_\_\_ you received an invitation yet?
8. We have lost almost \_\_\_\_\_ game this season.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ the cars in the parking lot was damaged by the hail. (Emphasis on the list).
10. Not \_\_\_\_\_ bird can fly; penguins and ostriches cannot.
11. I have checked the files. \_\_\_\_\_ is in the correct folder.
12. Do you go to the gym \_\_\_\_\_ single day?
13. Please make sure \_\_\_\_\_ member of the team knows the plan.
14. \_\_\_\_\_ my brothers has a different hair color.
15. Which shoes do you like? I like \_\_\_\_\_ ! (Referring to individual shoes in a pair/group).

## Answer Key

1. **each** (We have two hands).
2. **each** (Focus on individuals one by one / *Every* is also grammatically possible but *each* emphasizes the individual meeting).
3. **Every one of** (Followed by 'the' + plural noun, emphasized group).
4. **Each / Each one** (Refers to two things).
5. **every** (Refers to the whole group of moments).
6. **each** (Distributive position at the end).
7. **each of** (Followed by pronoun 'you').
8. **every** (Group focus/Frequency context).
9. **Every one of / Each of** (Both work before 'the' + plural noun + singular verb).
10. **every** (Generalization with singular noun).
11. **Each one / Each** (Pronoun usage).
12. **every** (Frequency / Idiom "every single").
13. **every / each** (Singular noun. *Every* emphasizes the whole team; *Each* emphasizes individuals).
14. **Each of** (Followed by possessive 'my').
15. **each one / every one** (Pronoun usage).