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Both … and · Either … or · Neither … nor

Pairs of words that join two people or things

Pair	Meaning	Example
both … and	the two together (+ plural verb)	**Both** Ben **and** Tom **like** chess.
either … or	one of the two	You can have **either** tea **or** juice.
neither … nor	not one, not the other	**Neither** Amy **nor** Lucy was late.

With **either … or** and **neither … nor**, the verb agrees with the noun **nearer** to it: *Neither the boys nor their teacher **is** here.*

PART A Choose

Tick (✓) the correct word.

1. (☐ Both ☐ Either) Paul and Mary are in the school choir.
2. We can go (☐ either ☐ neither) by bus or by MTR.
3. (☐ Neither ☐ Both) Ben nor Tom has a bike.
4. Both my sister and my brother (☐ likes ☐ like) noodles.
5. Either the teacher or the students (☐ is ☐ are) going to tidy the room.

PART B Join

Join the two sentences. Use the words in brackets.

EXAMPLE Amy can swim. Lucy can swim. (both … and) → Both Amy and Lucy can swim.

1. Tom cannot ski. Paul cannot ski. (neither … nor)

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2. The dress is cheap. The dress is pretty. (both … and)

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3. You can phone me. You can send me a message. (either … or)

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4. Emma does not eat meat. Emma does not eat fish. (neither … nor)

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Answers **A** 1 Both · 2 either · 3 Neither · 4 like · 5 are **B** 1 Neither Tom nor Paul can ski. · 2 The dress is both cheap and pretty. · 3 You can either phone me or send me a message. / Either you can phone me or you can send me a message. · 4 Emma eats neither meat nor fish.

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