



What's the difference between ALL and EVERY?

ALL (OF) = the whole or complete group

EVERY = each item / object in the group

Note that ALL is used with plural nouns while EVERY is used with singular nouns.

It is not possible to use a Determiner such as the, a/an, this / that, yours, his, etc. with EVERY.

Compare the following:

I watched all the episodes in the 'Friends' series.

I watched all (of) the film last night.

All my friends love Malta.

I watched every episode in the 'Friends' series.

I watched every minute of the film last night.

Every one of my friends loves Malta.

Note you cannot say:

~~I watched every the episode in the 'Friends' series.~~

~~Every my friend loves Malta.~~

Complete the exercise below using ALL or EVERY:

1. Have you read _____ the newspaper?
2. I cry _____ time I watch the film.
3. _____ the people in my office are hard-working.
4. I go to the gym _____ day.
5. I ate _____ the chocolate.
6. I watch movies in English _____ the time.
7. Tell me _____ about your holiday in England.
8. I would like to visit _____ country in Europe before I die.
9. I understand _____ word when I listen to the radio in English.
10. _____ time I catch the bus, it's late.

See the next page for the answers.

ANSWERS

1. Have you read ALL the newspaper?
2. I cry EVERYTIME time I watch the film.
3. ALL the people in my office are hard-working.
4. I go to the gym EVERY day.
5. I ate ALL the chocolate.
6. I watch movies in English ALL the time.
7. Tell me ALL about your holiday in England.
8. I would like to visit EVERY country in Europe before I die.
9. I understand EVERY word when I listen to the radio in English.
10. EVERY time I catch the bus, it's late.