

Chapter- 3

Distributive Adjectives

STUDY NOTES

- **Adjectives that refer to individual members of a group are called distributive adjectives.** Each, every, neither and either are distributive adjectives. They are used with singular nouns.
- **Every is used to refer to each member of a group, although all the members of the group are considered without exception.** Each and every can be interchanged.
- **Either is used to refer to one or the other between two options.**
- **Neither means that none of the options listed can be considered.**

1. **Underline the distributive adjectives in the sentences below.**
 - a. I have realized that neither bag is big enough.
 - b. Every boy in this class wears a shirt.
 - c. Either team may win.
 - d. Each group is to follow its leader.
 - e. My father has to go to the factory every day.
 - f. Every student in my class is intelligent.
2. **Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct distributive adjective from the box.**
 - a. Every patient wants to see the doctor.
 - b. Each boy in the school has to wear a blue tie-on Saturday.
 - c. Every nation must work for peace.
 - d. Each book in the Harry Porter series is excellent.
 - e. Every student should carry their own bags.
3. **Identify the errors, if any, in the use of distributive adjectives in the following sentences. Rewrite the sentences correctly.**
 - a. Each student gets a free book.
Ans - Every student gets a free book.
 - b. Neither orphan child needs care and support.
Ans- Each orphan child needs care and support.
 - c. Every one of the answers is correct.
Ans- Each one of the answers is correct.
 - d. They gave a pen to either boy.
Ans – They gave a pen to each boy.

e. Neither student has to wear the uniform.

Ans – Every student has to wear the uniform.

Recap –

- **Adjectives that refer to individual members of a group are called distributive adjectives.**
- **Each, every, either, neither are distributive adjectives.**

