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Why are there two pronunciations for "either"?

A few weeks ago, I had a conversation with an individual who told me that pronouncing the word "either" is wrong when pronounced like `\\i-thər\\` instead of `\\ē-thər\\`, but I didn't argue the point b...

Is there a rule in British English about how to pronounce "either"?

There are two common pronunciations of "either": British `/'aɪðər/` and American `/'iːðər/`. If Americans are more or less consistent in this regard, then the Brits seem to be freely using both. In fact,

Either and vs. Either or - English Language & Usage Stack Exchange

Even if or can mean all included, the either seems to indicate an exclusivity. so exactly one of them. But what does either a, b, c, and d mean? Is this even current English? (2) in the same question there is the question about what any one of a, b, c, and d means. So I would also like to know what any one of a, b, c, or d means?

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EDITED: In fact, "Does either of you" and "Do either of you" are both used by native English speakers. . But if the subject isn't either of you, you should use a singular verb with either of.

'either of you' vs 'both of you' vs 'one of you two'

Either should know how to open the door means whichever you should happen to come across, he will know how to open the door. Of course this suggests that they both know, but it's not the same as saying that they both know: the suggestion is that you will only encounter one, and that he will know (maybe he will be told at the last minute).

What's the best way to use "either" on more than two options?

Closed 11 years ago. I've searched for whether "either" can be used in a context on which the possible options are made of more than two, and found the answer here over English Language Usage. It says that it is informal to use "either" on more than two options, but is used widely especially in oral communication.

meaning - Can "either" mean both "any" and "both" - English Language ...

1842 Tennyson E. Morris 37 — Either twilight and the day between. Note that either meaning “both” is the oldest of the various senses the word has come to mean historically.

Do either of / does either of - WordReference Forums

Either of these options does work for me. -> Does either of these options work for me? Either of these options do work for me. WRONG The first is the correct form, as you suspected. But "Do either of these options work for me?" would be common in casual speech. This is a difficult rule even for native English speakers... either of, one of, etc.

Either my father or my mother - WordReference Forums

Thus, "Either my mother or father has paid the rent." Neither USAGE: A verb following a compound subject that uses neither... should be in the singular if both subjects are in the singular: neither Jack nor John has done the work "Neither my mother nor my father has paid the rent."

grammar - Is "Either of the two" used correctly? - English Language ...

The use of either is fine, but not in the way it's currently used. It should really be ..., with no fruit borne from either (of the two). In other words, the phrase, essentially, needs to be reversed.