

## 7-1 NOUNS: COUNT AND NONCOUNT

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| COUNT NOUN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>a book</i><br><i>one book</i><br><i>algunos(as)</i><br><i>muchos</i> | <del>books</del><br><del>two books</del><br><i>some books</i><br><i>a lot of books</i> | <b>A COUNT NOUN</b><br><br>SINGULAR:<br><u>a + noun</u><br><u>one + noun</u><br><br>PLURAL:<br><u>noun + -s</u>                                                                               |
| NONCOUNT NOUN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>mail</i><br><i>some mail</i><br><i>mucho</i> <i>a lot of mail</i>    | (no plural form)                                                                       | <b>SUSTANTIVOS NO CONTABLES</b><br><b>A NONCOUNT NOUN</b><br><br>SINGULAR:<br>Do not use <u>a</u> .<br>Do not use <u>one</u> .<br><br>PLURAL:<br>A noncount noun does not have a plural form. |
| <b>COMMON NONCOUNT NOUNS</b><br><div> <div> <i>consejo</i> advice<br/> <i>muebles</i> furniture<br/> <i>ayuda</i> help<br/> <i>tarea</i> homework<br/> <i>información</i> information<br/> <i>joyería</i> jewelry<br/> <i>suerte</i> luck </div> <div> <i>correo</i> mail<br/> <i>dinero</i> money<br/> <i>música</i> music<br/> <i>tráfico</i> traffic<br/> <i>vocabulario</i> vocabulary<br/> <i>clima</i> weather<br/> <i>trabajo</i> work </div> <div> <i>pan</i> bread<br/> <i>queso</i> cheese<br/> <i>café</i> coffee<br/> <i>comida</i> food<br/> <i>fruta</i> fruit<br/> <i>carne</i> meat<br/> <i>leche</i> milk </div> <div> <i>pepper</i> pimienta<br/> <i>rice</i> arroz<br/> <i>salt</i> sal<br/> <i>soup</i> sopa<br/> <i>sugar</i> azúcar<br/> <i>tea</i> té<br/> <i>water</i> agua </div> </div> |                                                                         |                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                               |

### CURRENCY - MONEDA

#### □ EXERCISE 2. Noun practice.

Directions: Look at the *italicized* words. Underline the noun. Is it count or noncount?

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|--------------------------------------------------|-------|----------|
| 1. He sits on <i>a chair</i> .                   | count | noncount |
| 2. He sits on <i>furniture</i> .                 | count | noncount |
| 3. She has <i>a coin</i> .                       | count | noncount |
| 4. She has <i>some money</i> .                   | count | noncount |
| 5. The street is full of <i>traffic</i> .        | count | noncount |
| 6. There are <i>a lot of cars</i> in the street. | count | noncount |
| 7. I know <i>a fact</i> about bees.              | count | noncount |
| 8. I have <i>some information</i> about bees.    | count | noncount |
| 9. The teacher gives us <i>homework</i> .        | count | noncount |
| 10. We have <i>an assignment</i> .               | count | noncount |
| 11. I like <i>music</i> .                        | count | noncount |
| 12. Would you like <i>some coffee</i> ?          | count | noncount |
| 13. Our school has <i>a library</i> .            | count | noncount |

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| 14. We are learning new <i>vocabulary</i> every day. | count | noncount |
| 15. I need <i>some advice</i> .                      | count | noncount |
| 16. Tom has <i>a good job</i> .                      | count | noncount |
| 17. He likes <i>his work</i> .                       | count | noncount |
| 18. Maria wears <i>a lot of bracelets</i> .          | count | noncount |



□ **EXERCISE 3. Let's talk: small groups.**

*Directions:* Work in small groups. List the noncount nouns. Then find the count nouns that are close in meaning. Use *a/an* with the count nouns.

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|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| <i>advice</i>     | <i>furniture</i>   | <i>money</i>      |
| <i>assignment</i> | <i>homework</i>    | <i>music</i>      |
| <i>bracelet</i>   | <i>information</i> | <i>song</i>       |
| <i>cloud</i>      | <i>jewelry</i>     | <i>suggestion</i> |
| <i>coin</i>       | <i>job</i>         | <i>weather</i>    |
| <i>desk</i>       | ✓ <i>letter</i>    | <i>work</i>       |
| <i>fact</i>       | ✓ <i>mail</i>      |                   |

| NONCOUNT       | COUNT           |
|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. <u>mail</u> | <u>a letter</u> |
| 2. _____       | _____           |
| 3. _____       | _____           |
| 4. _____       | _____           |
| 5. _____       | _____           |
| 6. _____       | _____           |
| 7. _____       | _____           |
| 8. _____       | _____           |
| 9. _____       | _____           |
| 10. _____      | _____           |