

ENGLISH IN ACTION III

LESSON B

Quantifiers

Remember:

- Use *a lot of*, *all*, *few*, *nearly all* before plural nouns: **A lot of/All/Few/Nearly all** families are small. Use *no one* before a verb: **No one** gets married before the age of 18.
- *Nearly all* means "almost all."

1.- Read the sentences about the small town of Monroe. Rewrite the sentences using the quantifiers in the box. Use each quantifier only once.

a) In Monroe, 0% of the people drive before the age of 16.

In Monroe, no one drives before the age of 16.

b) Ninety-eight percent of students finish high school.

c) One hundred percent of children start school by the age of six.

d) Eighty-nine percent of couples have more than one child.

e) Five percent of families have more than four children.

quantifiers		
100%	All	
	Nearly all	
	Most	
	Many	
	A lot of	
	Some	
	Not many	
	Few	
	No	
	0%	

2.- Reading comprehension: Read the text about Ecuador and answer the questions with TRUE or FALSE.

Life in Ecuador

Ecuador is a small but diverse country in South America, known for its beautiful landscapes and rich culture. The life in Ecuador is very different from country to country, but there are some general characteristics that make it unique.

Most people in Ecuador live in cities like Quito, Guayaquil, and Cuenca. In these cities, you'll find a lot of modern



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buildings, shopping malls, and restaurants offering both international and local food. Nearly all Ecuadorians enjoy the traditional dishes, like ceviche, empanadas, and loco, a hearty potato soup.

Many people work in agriculture, especially in rural areas where crops such as bananas, flowers, and coffee are grown. The country is famous for its bananas, and a lot of the world's bananas come from Ecuador. Some families, however, live in the Amazon rainforest or in the Andes mountains, where they maintain traditional lifestyles, often with little contact with the outside world.

In urban areas, there are a lot of opportunities for work and education, but in rural regions, there are not many schools or hospitals. Few people in remote areas have access to technology or the internet, but this is slowly changing. All regions of Ecuador are connected by road, and no one is too far from a major city or town.

Despite its small size, Ecuador has a strong sense of identity. The people are friendly, and visitors often find that most Ecuadorians are happy to share their culture and traditions with others. Some areas of the country, like the Galápagos Islands, are famous worldwide for their natural beauty and biodiversity.

- a) **All** people in Ecuador live in rural areas.

TRUE	FALSE
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- b) **Nearly all** Ecuadorians enjoy traditional food like ceviche and empanadas.

TRUE	FALSE
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- c) There are **few** schools in rural areas of Ecuador.

TRUE	FALSE
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- d) **Not many** people in Ecuador have access to the internet, especially in remote regions.

TRUE	FALSE
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- e) **Some** people in Ecuador live in the Amazon rainforest or the Andes mountains.

TRUE	FALSE
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