

GRAMMAR

- 1** Read this extract from a tour guide. Write *a*, *an*, *the* or *-* (no article) in each gap.

(1) _____ Maldives is one of (2) _____ most unique countries in the world. It is made up of 1,192 islands, spread over 90,000 square kilometres. The capital, Malé, is unusual in that it is not (3) _____ tourist destination. It is less than six square miles, yet it is home to over (4) _____ third of the country's population of about 430,000. Only 185 of the islands are inhabited by local people. The others are dedicated to (5) _____ agriculture and tourism. Tourism accounts for (6) _____ most of the country's economy. The sun-drenched islands and coral reefs teeming with tropical fish attract tourists all year round. Sitting near (7) _____ equator, the islands enjoy temperatures between 26 and 30 degrees centigrade throughout the year. The Maldives is particularly popular with couples looking for (8) _____ amazing place to get married. The sun, sand and sea make these islands a paradise on (9) _____ earth. The Maldives is not (10) _____ budget destination, however. It has some of the most expensive and luxurious hotels in the world.

- 2** Put each noun into the correct column in the table.

things rice pain data cash virus life crash business room pedal
footprint stuff resort scenery voyage land time chaos gear

COUNTABLE	UNCOUNTABLE	BOTH
things	rice	pain

PUSH YOURSELF C1

For each pair of sentences, choose one word from the 'Both' column to complete both gaps. You may need to make the word plural.

- They say that cats have nine _____.
_____ is what you make it.
- Did you remember to bring your sports _____.?
How many _____ does your bike have?
- I haven't got _____ to finish my homework.
I've been to Italy three _____.
- Small _____ are finding it hard to survive.
Sam studied _____ at university.
- Do you think there'll be _____ there for all my books?
We lived in a small flat when I was young – there were only three _____.
- They say this is a _____ of opportunity!
Farmers grow crops and raise animals on their _____.
- Doing my homework when it's sunny outside is a real _____!
He was in a lot of _____ after he broke his leg skiing.

