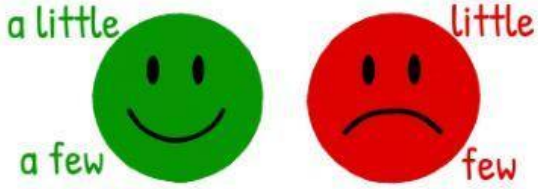
# How to express quantity ? (4)




**a little**
- a small quantity, not much
- with uncountable nouns only

Ex : She didn't eat, but she drank a little water.
I can speak a little German.

**a few**
- a small amount, not many
- with countable nouns only

Ex : Sorry, I only have a few cookies left.
I only speak a few words of German.

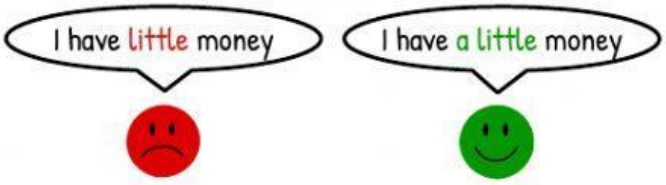
**little**
- almost nothing, nearly no
- with uncountable nouns only

Ex : We need to go shopping, there's little food.
Dan is skinny because he eats very little.

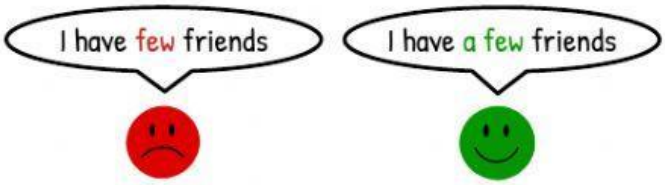
**few**
- not many, not enough
- with countable nouns only

Ex : They only have few photos on Instagram.
You're good !You make very few mistakes.

Compare little and a little




Compare few and a few




**Exercise 1 - Complete the sentences with "a" when necessary (when unnecessary, write "x").**

a) Could you give me ___ little money ?

b) The movie was desastrous : ___ few people understood the subject.

c) He will arrive in ___ few minutes.

d) I am so hungry ! Give me ___ few biscuits please.

e) I know the Eiffel Tower very well : I have been to Paris ___ few times.

f) He wants to lose weight : he uses ___ little oil when he cooks.

g) Everybody needs ___ little luck.