

COUNTABLE AND NON COUNTABLE

Choose the correct option in italics in the following conversation.

A: Ray, I really need your advice about packing for this survival course I'm going on.

B: I can see that! What on earth have you got in that rucksack? You look as if you've got far too (1) ***much / many*** ***stuff***.

A: I know, but I'm trying to pack something for (2) ***every / all possible situation***. For example, I thought I might get bored out in the wild on my own so I've packed (3) ***a few / a little books***. Do you think five is too (4) ***much / many***?

B: Books?! You won't need (5) ***any / some*** books where you're going – you'll be concentrating on keeping warm and dry.

A: Oh. Well, how about clothes – I've got (6) ***several / much*** nice warm jumpers and a (7) ***quite a few / a great deal of*** pairs of warm trousers.

B: Excellent. You might also need (8) ***a little / a couple of*** T-shirts in case it gets hot and (9) ***a bit of / a few*** waterproof layers, in case it rains. But what's this – one, two, three four pairs of shoes?

A: Well, each pair goes with a different pair of trousers.

B: Come on, this isn't a fashion show – all you need is one pair of comfortable shoes and (10) ***quite a few / a great deal*** more common sense. Have you got (11) ***many / some*** matches, a map of the area and (12) ***very little / a couple of*** knives to cut things up with?

A: Oh, I hadn't thought about any of that.