

EXERCISE 3 MORE QUANTIFIERS

GRAMMAR NOTES 2-7 Diego and Alicia Marquez are trying to save money for their college tuition. They are examining their budget. Complete their conversation with quantifiers from the box, using each expression once.

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a couple ~~a lot of~~ as many every less much some

ALICIA: Diego, we're still spending 1. *a lot of* money on things we don't really need.

After I pay the bills this month, we're going to have even 2. cash left over than we did last month. We've got to save for next semester's tuition, remember? We're not saving enough money. If we don't start saving 3., one of us is going to have to take the semester off.

DIEGO: OK, but what *have* we bought that we don't need?

ALICIA: That exercise machine, for one thing. We've only used it 4. times. We could get a year's membership at the gym for what it cost and still have something left over.

DIEGO: You mean 5. us could get a membership, don't you?

ALICIA: No, 6. us could. That's what I'm saying. The machine cost \$600, and memberships are \$250 each. How about selling the thing and going to the gym?

DIEGO: Hmm. Maybe you're right. What else?

ALICIA: Well, we're spending about 7. extra a month on those premium cable channels. We wouldn't have 8. channels to choose from if we went back to the basic coverage, but we don't watch very 9. TV anyway. We're always studying.

DIEGO: Yeah, you're right. . . . And you know, I'd say we could get rid of the land line. We've used it very 10. times in recent months, and it's expensive. We wouldn't have 11. telemarketing calls, either, because telemarketers don't call cell phone numbers.

ALICIA: OK. Let's cancel it, then. And here's one more suggestion. We should start taking a sack lunch to the college 12. of times a week instead of eating out at noon. If we did these four things, we'd have 13. money left 14. month, and we could use it to pay next semester's bills.

DIEGO: Oh no! Not my lunches with the guys! Lunchtime is when I get to see them.

ALICIA: Invite them over to study and then have dinner afterwards.