45 Shopping for food

A Food


milk [U]


bread [U]


butter [U]



cheese [U]

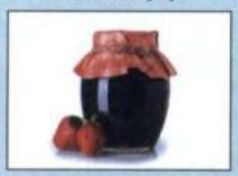

eggs


sugar [U]



cake [U]


a cake


jam [U]


biscuits


olives


olive oil [U]


rice [U]


pasta [U]

SPOTLIGHT uncountable nouns

The nouns with a [U] are usually uncountable.

- ***butter*** OR ***some butter*** (NOT ~~*a butter/butters*~~)
- *This bread* ***is*** *nice.* (NOT ~~*These breads are nice.*~~)

We can use phrases to count or talk about an amount of an uncountable noun.

- ***a piece of*** *cheese*
- ***two bars of*** *chocolate*

Some nouns can be countable or uncountable. Uncountable is for the food, etc. generally. Countable is for a small unit of it.

- *I like* ***chocolate.*** [U]
- *Would you like* ***a chocolate?*** [C]


chocolate [U]
a bar of chocolate


a box of chocolates

1 **Tick (✓) the answers that are right, and correct the answers that are wrong. Use the APP to help you. Practise saying the words.**

▸ a butter — butter / some butter

1 biscuits — .....
2 a piece of cheese — .....
3 two butters — .....
4 a piece of chocolate — .....
5 a bread — .....
6 some sugar — .....
7 an olive oil — .....
8 rices — .....
9 a jam — .....
10 olives — .....
11 a cheese — .....

2 **Circle the correct word.**

▸ There (*is*) / *are* sugar in jam.

1 You make *cheese* / *pasta* with eggs.
2 You can put *cheese* / *cake* on bread.
3 There's a lot of sugar in *cake* / *bread*.
4 You can eat *rice* / *biscuits* with meat.
5 There's no sugar in *chocolate* / *pasta*.
6 I've got a box of *milk* / *chocolates*.
7 *Butter* / *Pasta* comes from milk.
8 We have *olives* / *biscuits* with coffee.

3 ABOUT YOU **Look at the pictures. Which things do you: often buy? sometimes buy? never buy? Write your answers, or tell another student.**

▸ I often buy eggs.

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B Buying food





Customer **Could I have** a **kilo** of onions, **please?**
Shop assistant **OK.** Do you **need** a **bag?**
Customer No, I've got one, thanks. And **have you got any** peaches?
Shop assistant Yes. **How many** do you want?
Customer Four, please. Are they **ready** to eat?
Shop assistant Yes, they're lovely.
Customer Great. **That's all, thanks.**

Customer I need some cheese, please.
Shop assistant Sure. **How much?**
Customer Oh, **half a kilo.** And some of those olives, please. About 200 **grams.**
Shop assistant **Right.** This is **just over.**
Customer **That's fine,** thanks.



SPOTLIGHT *how much?* and *how many?*

We use **how much** with uncountable nouns and **how many** with countable nouns:
- ***How much*** *butter do you want?*
- ***How many*** *apples do we need?*

GLOSSARY

Could I have ..., please?	This is a polite way of saying 'I want'.
kilogram	= 1,000 **grams**. **Kilo** is short for **kilogram**. **Half a kilo** = 500 **grams**.
bag	(*see picture*)
Have you got any ...?	= Do you have any ...? (**Any** is usually used in questions.)
ready	If sth is **ready to eat**, you can eat it now.
That's all, thanks.	= I don't want any more things.
need	If you **need** sth, you must have it.
right	OK. This means 'Yes, I understand you'.
just over (a kilo)	a little more than (a kilo) OPP **just under**
That's fine.	= That's OK.

4 **Match 1–6 with a–g.**

▸ Right. d
1 shop assistant .....
2 customer .....
3 that's all .....
4 ready to eat .....
5 need something .....
6 just under .....

a a person who works in a shop
b I don't want to buy any other things.
c OK to have it now
e must have something
d I understand what you mean. ✓
f a little less than
g a person who buys things in a shop or on the internet

5 **Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.**

▸ all / that's / thanks That's all, thanks. / Thanks. That's all.
1 twelve / have / could / please / eggs / I ..... ?
2 need / you / a / do / bag ..... ?
3 got / French / you / cheese / any / have ..... ?
4 much / do / pasta / how / need / you ..... ?
5 kilo / just / half / a / over / that's ..... .
6 oranges / many / need / do / how / you ..... ?

6 **Complete the dialogues.**

▸ A Yes? B I'd like ..... six lemons, please.
1 A Have you ..... any apples?
B Yes. How ..... would you like?
2 A Could I ..... some cheese, please.
B Sure, how ..... ?
A Oh, about 100 ..... . And that's ....., thank you.
3 A ..... I have a kilo of potatoes, please?
B Sure. That's ..... under a kilo.
A ..... fine.
4 A These bananas don't look ..... to eat.
B No, they ..... two or three more days.

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