

# Grammar 8b

## Countable/Uncountable nouns & Quantifiers

1 Read the table. Say the examples in your language. Find examples in the text on p. 94.

### Countable nouns

are nouns we can count.

*an/one apple – two apples*

*I eat a lot of apples.*

*How many apples do you eat?*

- **too many**  
(more than I need)



- **a lot of/ lots of**



- **some/ a few**



- **not many/ (very) few**



- **none**



### Uncountable nouns

are nouns we cannot count.

*(some) rice*

[NOT: ~~one rice – two rices~~]

*I drink a lot of milk.*

*How much milk do you drink?*

- **too much**  
(more than I need)



- **a lot of/ lots of**



- **some/ a little**



- **not much/ (very) little**



- **none**



2 Fill in the gaps with *a/an* or *some*. Then mark the nouns C (countable) or U (uncountable).

- |                    |              |       |            |               |       |
|--------------------|--------------|-------|------------|---------------|-------|
| 1 <i>some</i> milk | U            | 7     | ..... rice | .....         |       |
| 2                  | ..... money  | ..... | 8          | ..... orange  | ..... |
| 3                  | ..... bread  | ..... | 9          | ..... tea     | ..... |
| 4                  | ..... cherry | ..... | 10         | ..... cheese  | ..... |
| 5                  | ..... sugar  | ..... | 11         | ..... meat    | ..... |
| 6                  | ..... egg    | ..... | 12         | ..... biscuit | ..... |

3 Choose the correct item.

- How much/How many apple juice is there?
- I've got a few/a little coffee left.
- Did he drink any milk? Not many/Not much.
- How much/many cheese do you want?
- There isn't many/much cake. How about a little/a few biscuits?
- Can I have a few/a little apples, please?
- How much/many money do you need?

## Partitives

4 Fill in the gaps with *box, bag, can, jar, bottle, packet, carton*.  
Listen and check.



1 a ..... of cereal



2 a ..... of ketchup



3 a ..... of sugar



4 a ..... of spaghetti



5 a ..... of coffee



6 a ..... of Coke



7 a ..... of orange juice

## a/an, some/any – every & their compounds

5 Read the table. Say the examples in your language.

- a/an** + countable nouns in the singular  
*Can I have a banana, please?*  
*There is an apple in the fridge.*
- some** + countable nouns in the plural/ uncountable nouns (affirmative sentences/ questions to offer sth) *We'll take some oranges.*  
*There's some milk in the fridge. Would you like some?*
- any** + countable nouns in the plural/ uncountable nouns (negative sentences/ questions) *There isn't any butter. Are there any apples in the fridge?*
- every** + countable nouns in the singular  
*There's a carton of juice for every child in the class.*

	Affirmative	Negative/ Interrogative
People	someone, everyone	anyone
Things	something, everything	anything

*There's someone at the door.*

*Is there anyone in the bathroom?*

*I can't do anything to help.*

*Everyone is in the garden.*