

UNIT 10

SOME, ANY, A LOT OF, A FEW, A BIT OF

	Countable	Uncountable
Questions	Are there any shops near your house?	Have you got any money ?
Positive	There are some shops over there.	There's some money on the table.
Negative	There aren't any large shops near my house.	I haven't got any money in my purse.
a lot of	My sister's got a lot of earrings .	My mum's got a lot of jewellery .
a few / a bit of	There are a few books on the table.	There's a bit of make-up in the bathroom.

- Countable nouns are nouns for things that we can count. We can use *a/an, the* or a number before them and they can be used in both the singular and the plural.
I bought a leather wallet and two caps in the new shop.
- Uncountable nouns are nouns for things that we can't count. We can't use *a/an* or a number before them and we can't use them in the plural.
My cousin bought some jewellery and some make-up.
(not a jewellery, a make-up)

1 Complete the table with the words in the box.

biscuit cheese earring egg jacket
jewellery juice make-up milk money
photo purse T-shirt wallet

Countable	Uncountable
<i>biscuit</i> _____	<i>cheese</i> _____
_____	_____
_____	_____

2 Complete the sentences with *some* or *any*.

- 1 I didn't buy a new wallet because I didn't have _____ money.
- 2 There are _____ new students in my class.
- 3 Were there _____ blue T-shirts in the shop?
- 4 Let's go shopping. I want to buy _____ new clothes.
- 5 That shop hasn't got _____ bread.
- 6 Did you eat _____ cake on your birthday?

3 Complete the sentences with *a lot of*, *a few* or *a bit of*.

- 0 Sally's got a bit of jewellery but not much.
- 1 We've got _____ biscuits. There are three packets here and four packets on that shelf.
- 2 We did well in our test and our teacher only gave us _____ homework – just one exercise.
- 3 I've got _____ good friends – Anna, Karen and Rachel.
- 4 We made sandwiches, pizza, a salad and cakes. There was _____ food at my party!
- 5 The trip is for three days. You only need _____ pairs of socks, not 12 pairs!

4 Choose the correct words to complete the conversation.

James: Did you buy ¹*a* / *any* clothes in the sales?

Holly: Yes, I bought ²*any* / *some* sunglasses, ³*a* / *some* baseball cap and ⁴*a few* / *a bit of* make-up.

James: Really! You bought a ⁵*lot* / *few* of things. I only bought ⁶*a* / *some* wallet.

4 Find and correct the mistakes in the sentences.



- 1 Can you lend me a colours? *a few*
- 2 They haven't got some money to pay the bill.
- 3 I only had a lot of bread for my sandwich.
- 4 Today she's buying a clothes in the sales.
- 5 I'm sorry I didn't keep a few receipts, just one or two.
- 6 Has your brother got any car?
- 7 My parents never spend a few money in restaurants.

5 Complete Emma's description of her website with words from Exercise 1.

Welcome to my online shop. I'm selling ¹ *a lot of* things this year! Look at the amazing discounts! I've got ² clothes you can buy but I'm sorry I haven't got ³ shoes. I've got a lot of dresses and jumpers but I have only got a ⁴ ties and suits for special events. I've got ⁵ swimming costumes and a ⁶ bikinis for the summer. Two or three, I think. Please send me an email for more information. I've usually got a ⁷ of free time every morning before I go to school to answer your questions.

3 Rearrange the endings of the sentences.

- 1 My brother studies a *lot of musical instruments after school*.
musical / lot / instruments / school / of / after
- 2 When I was young I
any / vegetables / didn't / fruit / like / or
- 3 We ate
of / day / a / yesterday / before / lot / and / pizza / the
- 4 Sometimes I spend
a / of / studying / time / online / bit
- 5 I've got a
of / mobile / music / on / phone / lot / my
- 6 My friend's got
a / the / few / at / shop / new / clothes / discounts
- 7 I haven't got a lot
money / of / I / don't / work / because



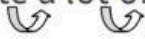
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Linking



6 Listen and repeat. Draw the arrows to show the examples of linking. Look at the clue for the number of examples in each sentence.

1 We ate a lot of pasta. (2)



2 I've got a few ideas. (2)

3 I need a bit of cash. (2)

4 They wear a lot of expensive suits. (2)

5 There are some eggs in the fridge. (3)

6 I never keep any receipts in my wallet. (2)

