

## FOOD – COUNTABLE AND UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS

FOOD	COUNTABLE / UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS
 <p> <b>butter</b>      <b>cheese</b>      <b>eggs</b>      <b>milk</b>  <b>yoghurt</b>      <b>fish</b>      <b>meat</b>      <b>flour</b>  <b>water</b>      <b>sugar</b>      <b>Salt Pepper</b>      <b>Olive oil</b>  <b>cheeseburger</b>      <b>pizza</b>      <b>crisps</b>      <b>cake</b>  <b>juice</b>      <b>lemonade</b>      <b>ice cream</b>      <b>tea</b> </p>	<p><b>COUNTABLE NOUNS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nouns you can count</li> <li>• you can use a / an in front of countable nouns.</li> <li>• Nouns that have a plural form.</li> </ul> <p><b>UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nouns you can't count</li> <li>• Normally, you can't use a / an in front of uncountable nouns</li> <li>• Nouns that normally don't have a plural form</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We can make uncountable nouns countable to express quantity. We add a unit or a quantity with "OF"</li> </ul> <p>E.g. a <b>bar of</b> chocolate</p> <p><b>HOW MUCH...? / HOW MANY...?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How much + uncountable noun E.g. How much ham?</li> <li>• How many + countable noun E.g. How many rashers and sausages?</li> </ul>

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## QUANTIFIERS

A **quantifier**, as its name implies, expresses quantity. Quantifiers can be a single word or a phrase and are used with nouns. They can be used with either a countable or an uncountable noun to express amount or quantity.

- **some** + plural nouns or uncountable singular forms. ( has an affirmative meaning)
- **any** + plural nouns or uncountable singular forms. ( is used with negative sentences and questions.)
- **much** + plural nouns
- **a lot of** + uncountable or plural nouns ( is more usual in affirmative sentences)
- **a little** + singular uncountable nouns ( has a positive meaning)
- **a few** + plurals ( has a positive meaning.)
- **no** + zero quantity ( no = not any)

## CONTAINERS AND QUANTITIES



a) Use a / an or some and write C for countable or U for uncountable.

- \_\_\_\_ money \_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ ponds \_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ cup of tea \_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ sugar \_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ bar of chocolate \_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ ice-cream \_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ rice \_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ glass of water \_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ coffee \_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ cake \_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ eggs \_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ orange \_\_\_\_

b) Use a / an or some and write C for countable or U for uncountable.

water – bread – lemons – chocolate – sugar – tea – milk –  
oranges- cheese – coffee – eggs

Countable

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Uncountable

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

c) Ask questions using how much or how many

(eggs) \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
(meat) \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
(jam) \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
(water) \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
(flour) \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
(tea) \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
(oranges) \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
(oil) \_\_\_\_\_ ?

d) Choose the correct word / expression and complete the sentences.

some – how much – how many – any

- \_\_\_\_\_ sandwiches have you got?
- Is there \_\_\_\_\_ milk in the fridge?
- \_\_\_\_\_ sugar do you need?
- can you see \_\_\_\_\_ fruit on the table?
- \_\_\_\_\_ friends have you got?
- My mother has \_\_\_\_\_ chocolate for us.
- Mary makes \_\_\_\_\_ nice scones for tea.

e) Use the words in the box and complete as the example

- bar
- six-pack
- tube
- roll
- head
- bottle
- bunch
- dozen
- slice
- cup
- carton
- jar
- box
- bag
- can



f) Fill in the gaps using any, some, a lot of, much, many, or no.

- There is \_\_\_\_\_ high school in Florence.
- He hasn't got \_\_\_\_\_ money.
- Would you like some tea?
- Mark likes to read. He has got \_\_\_\_\_ of books.
- It cost \_\_\_\_\_ money to travel round the world.
- I haven't got V time to spend with you. I'm sorry.
- Mrs. Miles went to the supermarket to buy some butter but they didn't have \_\_\_\_\_.
- I'd like some cake too. Please, give me \_\_\_\_\_.
- Mr. Smith wants to buy a new car, but he can't because he doesn't earn that \_\_\_\_\_.
- Their party cost \_\_\_\_\_ more than they expected.
- Don't buy \_\_\_\_\_ carrots!
- Get \_\_\_\_\_ bread from the bakery, please.
- There aren't \_\_\_\_\_ vegetables in the fridge. I'm going to buy \_\_\_\_\_.
- The shop has got \_\_\_\_\_ clothes on the shelves.

Ask and answer questions as the example.

- flour / **fridge** / pantry

Is there any flour in the **fridge**? - No there isn't, but there is some in the **pantry**.

- Orange juice / pantry / **fridge**

• \_\_\_\_\_? \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

- Jam / cupboard / **fridge**?

• \_\_\_\_\_? \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

- **Fruit** / cupboard / **fridge**

• \_\_\_\_\_? \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

- Cheese / table / **fridge**

• \_\_\_\_\_? \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

- butter / cupboard / **fridge**

• \_\_\_\_\_? \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

## QUANTIFIERS / DETERMINERS EXERCISES

### A. Choose the appropriate quantifier / determiner.

1. Can I have a few / some / many butter please?
2. He has a lot of / many / some money. He owns two large apartments.
3. Do you want sugar in your tea?  
"Just how much / a little / a few 'please.'
4. I have a lot of / much / a little DVDs.
5. I'll be ready in some / a few / little minutes.
6. How many / how much time do you need to finish your homework?
7. How many / how much books have you read in the last two months?
8. Do you want much / any / few cosmetics from Avon?

### B. Complete the sentences with the following quantifiers.

Some	little	few	much	a lot of	several
Any	a little	a few	many	plenty of	no

1. Very \_\_\_\_\_ people fly just because of terrorist activities.
2. Tony is a keen golfer but unfortunately he has \_\_\_\_\_ ability.
3. The capital town of this island is very small and doesn't have \_\_\_\_\_ important buildings. The islanders don't have \_\_\_\_\_ money, and they have \_\_\_\_\_ contact with the outside world. The roads aren't good. There are lots of bicycles but not \_\_\_\_\_ cars. There are \_\_\_\_\_ shops, and there is \_\_\_\_\_ cultural life.
4. Unfortunately, I haven't got \_\_\_\_\_ time for watching TV.
5. You can buy these maps at \_\_\_\_\_ station. They all have them.
6. If you have \_\_\_\_\_ questions, I'm ready to answer.
7. We haven't got \_\_\_\_\_ potatoes left. I'd better go to the supermarket and get

\_\_\_\_\_ . We need bread too.