

EXERCISE 4 NON-COUNT NOUNS MADE COUNTABLE

GRAMMAR NOTE 5 Complete the pairs of sentences. In the sentences on the left, use *some* or *any*. In the sentences on the right, use a phrase that makes the non-count noun countable. Look at Appendix 7 on page 415 for help.

Less Precise

1. a. When we moved to the new office, we lost some equipment.

2. a. Look! I just saw lightning in the sky.

3. a. We didn't play tennis after all.

4. a. Let me give you advice: Don't eat that doughnut.

5. a. There hasn't been rain here for over a month.

6. a. There wasn't rice left on the plate.

7. a. I bought meat at the supermarket.

8. a. We bought furniture at the mall.

9. a. I always have coffee when I wake up in the morning.

10. a. I got sand in my shoes when I was at the beach.

More Precise

b. When we moved to the new office, we lost two pieces of equipment.

b. Look! I just saw lightning in the sky.

b. We didn't play tennis after all.

b. Let me give you advice: Don't eat that doughnut.

b. There hasn't been rain here for over a month.

b. There wasn't rice left on the plate.

b. I bought meat at the supermarket.

b. We bought furniture at the mall.

b. I always have coffee when I wake up in the morning.

b. Some people think you can see the world in sand.