

Practice 7 – NOUNS

Practice 1: Write C after the countable nouns and U after the uncountable nouns.

friend	C	music		butter	
bread	U	DVD player		furniture	
rice		money		flat	
book		plate		oil	
sugar		cheese		sand	
car		information		banana	
office		bag		shampoo	
soup		vegetable		tea	

Practice 2: Complete the table.

Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
teacher	<i>teachers</i>	person	
potato		bus	
secretary		thief	
beach		box	
half		student	
disco		foot	
dress		place	
sheep		day	

Practice 3: Complete the sentences. Use the plural of the word in brackets.

- I can't find my Where are they? (key)
- I usually have for lunch. (sandwich)
- How many do we need for the salad? (tomato)
- The are in the cupboard, next to the (glass, dish)
- The are on those over there. (dictionary, shelf)
- The are in the living room. (child)
- You can buy fresh at the market. (fish)
- Are there any for me? (message)



Practice 4: What are these? Choose from the box and write a sentence.

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| 1 an eagle | It's a bird. |
| 2 a pigeon, a duck and a penguin | They're birds. |
| 3 carrots and onions | |
| 4 a tulip | |
| 5 Earth, Mars and Jupiter | |
| 6 chess | |
| 7 a hammer, a saw and a screwdriver | |
| 8 the Nile, the Rhine and the Mekong | |
| 9 a mosquito | |
| 10 Hindi, Arabic and Swahili | |

bird(s)
flower(s)
game(s)
insect(s)
language(s)
planet(s)
river(s)
tool(s)
vegetable(s)

Practice 5: Read about what these people do. What are their jobs?

chef interpreter journalist nurse plumber surgeon tour guide waiter

- Sarah looks after patients in hospital. She's a nurse.
- Gary works in a restaurant. He brings the food to the tables. He _____
- Jane writes articles for a newspaper. _____
- Kevin works in a hospital. He operates on people. _____
- Jonathan cooks in a restaurant. _____
- Dave installs and repairs water pipes. _____
- Anna shows visitors round her city and tells them about it. _____
- Lisa translates what people are saying from one language into another, so that they can understand each other. _____

Practice 6: Write the correct form of the nouns in parentheses.

- I met some interesting men at the meeting last night. (*man*)
- I need some matches to light the fire. (*match*)
- The baby got two new _____. (*tooth*)
- The farmer loaded his cart with _____ of fresh vegetables to take to market. His cart was pulled by two _____. (*box, ox*)
- Alex saw some _____ running across the floor. (*mouse*)
- The north side of the island has no _____. There are only steep _____. No one can climb these steep walls of rock. (*beach, cliff*)
- If a houseplant is given too much water, its lower _____ turn yellow. (*leaf*)
- Before Marie signed the contract, she talked to two _____. (*attorney*)



9. New scientific _____ are made every day in
_____ throughout the world. (*discovery, laboratory*)
10. I caught several _____ in the lake. (*fish*)
11. On our trip in the mountainous countryside, we saw some _____,
_____, _____, and wild _____.
(*wolf, fox, deer, sheep*)
12. When we spoke in the cave, we could hear _____ of our voices. (*echo*)
13. The music building at the university has 27 _____. Students
need to sign up for practice times. (*piano*)
14. Thunder and lightning are _____ of nature. (*phenomenon*)
15. People get most of their news about the world through the mass _____,
that is, through radio, television, the Internet, newspapers, and magazines. (*medium*)

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