

### GRAMMAR 13: COUNTABLE AND UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS

**A** Complete using the plural form of the words in the box.

child • foot • man • person • puppy • tooth • watch • woman

- 1 Did you know that Jason's dog has had three beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ ?
- 2 The *Spice Girls* was an all-girl band, so there weren't any \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 3 It's a bit strange that Victor wears two \_\_\_\_\_ – one on each arm.
- 4 If \_\_\_\_\_ do the same jobs as their husbands, they should be paid the same.
- 5 The dentist says I have to have two \_\_\_\_\_ taken out!
- 6 How many \_\_\_\_\_ were there at the show?
- 7 We've walked miles! My \_\_\_\_\_ are hurting!
- 8 Mrs Jenkins has just had a baby, so she's got three \_\_\_\_\_ now.

**B** Circle the correct word or phrase.

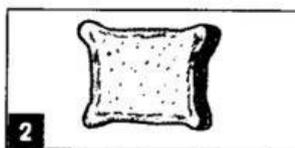
- 1 Your money **is** / **are** on the table in the dining room.
- 2 The advice you gave me **was** / **were** really useful. Thanks!
- 3 The cakes in that shop **looks** / **look** absolutely delicious.
- 4 There **has** / **have** been a lot of bad news recently.
- 5 Your homework **was** / **were** late. Please do it sooner next time.
- 6 **Does** / **Do** the information about the museum include the opening times?
- 7 We need new furniture in the dining room. **It's** / **They're** very old and scratched.
- 8 The fish in this tank all **seems** / **seem** to be ill.
- 9 I love your hair. **It's** / **They're** really soft.
- 10 Oh, no! The rice **has** / **have** gone all over the floor!

**C** Complete using the phrases in the box. You have to use some phrases more than once. Where there is more than one answer, write all the answers.

a few • a little • a piece of • some



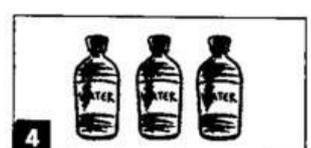
1 sugar



2 bread



3 bottles



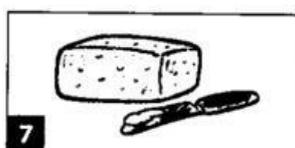
4 water



5 fruit



6 toys



7 butter



8 music

**D** Complete each second sentence using the word given, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Write no more than three words.

- 1 We don't know anything about the problem. **information**  
We don't ..... about the problem.
- 2 Is it okay if I have some cheese? **bit**  
Is it okay if I have ..... cheese?
- 3 There's only a little coffee left in the jar. **much**  
There ..... coffee left in the jar.
- 4 I try not to drink too much Coca-Cola in a week. **cans**  
I try not to drink too ..... of Coca-Cola in a week.
- 5 Would you like some more chocolate? **piece**  
Would you like ..... chocolate?
- 6 I don't want a lot of cream on my strawberries. **cream**  
I only want ..... on my strawberries.

**E** Choose the correct answer.

- 1 Be careful with that vase because it's made of ..... !  
A glass                      B a glass
- 2 I started coughing because I had ..... at the back of my throat.  
A hair                      B a hair
- 3 Don't put your hot cup on my new table! It's ..... and I don't want you to burn it.  
A wood                      B a wood
- 4 We should all recycle ..... so that it can be used again.  
A paper                      B a paper
- 5 My dad gets ..... every day on his way to work.  
A paper                      B a paper
- 6 Of course you can have some milk. Get ..... out of the cupboard.  
A glass                      B a glass

**F** Write one word in each gap.



## Open-air markets



Even if you only have a (1) ..... money, you can still have a great time at your local open-air market. The clothes (2) ..... cheap, and the fruit (3) ..... cheap, too! Often, the food in your local supermarket (4) ..... travelled a long way, but at the market you know that you're buying food which has been produced locally. The vegetables (5) ..... fresh, even if you go late in the day when there are only a (6) ..... left. Support your local market and help local farmers. Contact your Town Hall to find out if there are (7) ..... open-air markets in your area.

**GRAMMAR 14: ARTICLES****A** Complete using *a*, *an* or *the*.

- 1 We had ..... really good science lesson at school today.
- 2 I found ..... unusual insect on the wall outside our house.
- 3 It's your birthday next week. Are you going to have ..... party?
- 4 We waited for hours, but we finally saw ..... Queen.
- 5 Why don't we listen to ..... radio?
- 6 Have you got ..... euro I could borrow?
- 7 Mum has gone to ..... bank, but she'll be back soon.
- 8 Where have you been? I've been waiting for over ..... hour!

**B** Write an article in each gap where necessary. If an article is not necessary, put a dash (-).

I had (1) .....  
 really bad day on (2) ..... Tuesday.  
 I bought (3) ..... new game on CD-ROM for my computer,  
 but (4) ..... game didn't work properly. I took it back to  
 (5) ..... shop on (6) ..... North Street, but  
 (7) ..... manager blamed me! He pointed to  
 (8) ..... scratch on (9) ..... CD-ROM  
 and said I'd done it. I couldn't believe it! I had  
 to buy (10) ..... new one!

**C** Circle the extra word in each sentence.

- 1 Do you think we will ever send a person to the Mars?
- 2 When you go to the London, don't forget to see the London Eye.
- 3 When we use the cars, we damage the environment.
- 4 I'm not telling a lies! It's the truth.
- 5 I'm looking for a teacher who can teach me the German.
- 6 Ray needs a warm hat and a new coat for his visit to the Russia.
- 7 Dad has gone to a work and forgotten the car keys.
- 8 Some people have an unusual pets, such as lions or tigers.

**D** In each sentence there is a word missing. Put an arrow (↑) to show where the missing word should go and write the word.

- 1 English music was popular in America in 1960s. ....
- 2 Would you prefer to read book or watch television? .....
- 3 We had maths at school yesterday and our teacher gave us surprise test! .....
- 4 Peter joined police and caught ten thieves in his first month! .....
- 5 Gordon wanted to be writer, so he studied English at university. ....
- 6 Suddenly, two UFOs appeared in sky over Washington. ....

**E** Rewrite the sentences correctly, adding articles where necessary.

- 1 We had great time in USA.  
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- 2 Let's go to Belgium for week this summer.  
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- 3 Where's money I gave you on fifteenth of last month?  
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- 4 I'd like to join army and become soldier.  
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- 5 For Christmas, I got book, DVD and latest CD by my favourite band.  
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- 6 They say that English drink lot of tea.  
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- 7 I heard song on radio that I really liked.  
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- 8 Do Japanese and other people in Asia eat cheese?  
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**F** Underline ten mistakes in the dialogue and correct them.

- Gary:** It's the lovely day, isn't it? Let's walk down to a shops and look around.
- Helen:** That's an good idea. I'll just have a look in a kitchen and see what we need.
- Gary:** I got a milk yesterday, so we don't need any more. We might need a bread, though.
- Helen:** Okay. Bread ... oh, and the packet of sugar. After shopping, we could go to a new market in a town centre and see what they have.
- Gary:** Right. You get your coat and I'll get a car keys.