

How much / How many?



Language focus

Use **How much / How many?** to ask about the quantity of something, e.g. **How much** cheese do we need?

Use **how much** with uncountable nouns such as cheese, milk, water, rice.

Use **how many** with countable nouns such as carrots, loaves, packets, pieces.

Note that when we use **how many** with an uncountable noun, we make only the container plural, e.g. *How many bottles of water?* not *How many bottles of waters?*



1 Circle the correct words to complete the sentences.

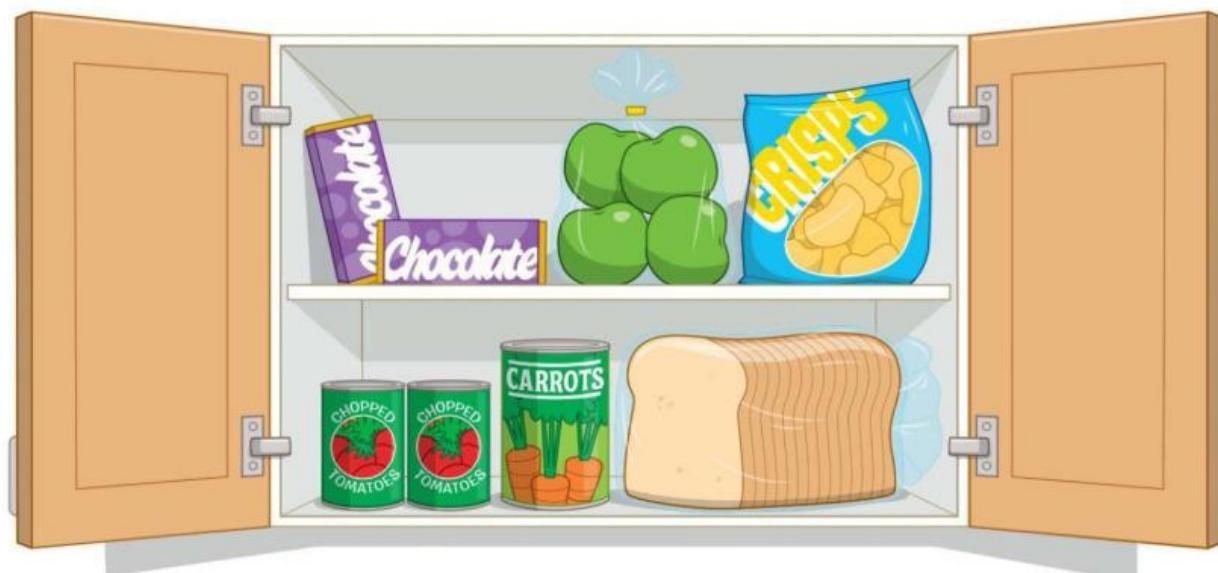
- 1 How many / much eggs do you need for the omelette?
- 2 How many / much bars of chocolate are there in the cupboard?
- 3 How many / much pieces of cheese would you like?
- 4 How many / much bottles of milk are there in the fridge?
- 5 How many / much bread do you want?
- 6 How many / much water do you think we need?

2 Match the questions in Activity 1 with the answers below.

- a** I can see only one. Mum finished the other bottle this morning.
- b** Get me two small loaves, please.
- c** One big piece.
- d** I think six will be enough.
- e** Quite a lot. It's going to be a hot day.
- f** There aren't any. I think Dad ate them all!

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3 Complete the questions about the picture with *much* or *many*.
Then answer them with *There is* / *There are*.



- 1 How many cans of tomatoes are there? There are two cans of tomatoes.
- 2 How packets of crisps are there? _____
- 3 How bread is there? _____
- 4 How chocolate is there? _____
- 5 How apples are there? _____
- 6 How cans of carrots are there? _____