

QUANTIFIERS

Ex 1. Study the table.

Countable Nouns (злічувані іменники)	Uncountable Nouns (незлічувані іменники)	Both (обидва – злічувані та незлічувані)
many – багато	much – багато	some – декілька, трохи
a few – декілька	a little – трохи	a lot of / lots of – багато
several – декілька	a bit of – трохи	plenty of – багато
a number of – кілька	a great deal of – багато	enough – достатньо
a large number of – багато	a large / small amount of – багато / мало	no / any – нема / декілька, трохи (у запереченнях та питаннях)
few – мало	little – мало	most / all – більшість / усі

Ex 2. For each sentence, choose either *MUCH* or *MANY* to complete the sentence correctly.

Remember:

Many – with countable nouns

Much – with uncountable nouns

1. How ____ volcanoes erupted last year?
2. How ____ water is there on Earth?
3. There isn't ____ gold left in that mine.
4. How ____ time does it take for light to travel from the sun to Earth?
5. There are ____ different types of rocks.
6. How ____ research has been done on black holes?
7. There isn't ____ information available about that species.
8. ____ animals are endangered because of habitat loss.
9. How ____ oxygen is required for this chemical reaction?
10. ____ meteorites enter Earth's atmosphere each day.
11. There isn't ____ helium left in our natural reserves.
12. How ____ tectonic plates are there on Earth?

Ex 3. Complete the sentences with A LOT OF, A FEW, A LITTLE, FEW, LITTLE.

Remember:

few/little → limited amount (or in a negative sense)

a few/a little → small but sufficient (positive sense)

a lot of → large quantity

1. Please add _____ salt to the soup — it tastes too bland.
2. This rainforest is home to _____ unique insect species.
3. We still need _____ more time to finish the experiment properly.
4. _____ people have ever walked on the Moon; it's one of the rarest human achievements.
5. _____ rain falls in this desert, so vegetation is very sparse.
6. _____ researchers are still working late in the laboratory tonight.
7. We have _____ work to analyse before the conference.
8. Only _____ organisms can live in boiling water near hydrothermal vents.
9. Hurry up — we have _____ time left before the eclipse starts.
10. Only _____ minerals, such as corundum, can scratch diamond.
11. The team collected _____ more rock samples for testing before leaving the site.
12. There is _____ hope of finding liquid water on Mercury.

Ex 4. Circle the correct quantifier.

1. We collected (*a few / a little*) soil samples.
2. There isn't (*many / much*) evidence of erosion.
3. Scientists discovered (*a number of / a little*) new species.
4. There is (*few / little*) light in the cave.
5. We recorded (*several / much*) temperature changes.
6. The researcher has (*many / much*) experience.
7. There are (*a little / several*) theories about this process.
8. The solution contained (*a few / a little*) acid.
9. In the deep ocean, there is not (*much / many*) sunlight.
10. There are only (*a little / a few*) polar bears left in the wild.
11. Plants need (*much / many*) water to perform photosynthesis.

12. A healthy forest has (*a lot of / a little*) different species.

Ex 4. Choose the correct quantifier (A, B, or C) to complete the sentence.

1. How _____ research does the government fund for climate change?
A) many B) much C) few
2. There are only _____ active volcanoes on Earth today compared to millions of years ago.
A) little B) much C) a few
3. The jungle contained _____ strange insects that the scientists had never seen before.
A) too much B) too many C) too little
4. We had _____ time to study the rare plant species.
A) a few B) many C) little
5. The atmosphere does not have _____ dust after the rain.
A) many B) much C) few

Ex 5. Read the text. Choose the correct word from the brackets.

Scientists have observed that there are only (**1. much / a few**) polar bears left in the Arctic regions. This decline is largely due to the loss of their natural habitat. We need (**2. much / many**) research to understand the full impact of global warming. The melting ice causes (**3. a lot of / a little**) problems for the bears, as they have (**4. little / few**) opportunity to hunt seals. Currently, there is not (**5. many / much**) hope that the situation will quickly reverse without significant intervention, though experts believe (**6. some / any**) action is better than none.