

FOOD – COUNTABLE AND UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS

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COUNTABLE / UNCOUNTABLE NOUS

COUNTABLE NOUS

- Nouns you can count
- you can use a / an in front of countable nouns.
- Nouns that have a plural form.

UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS

- Nouns you can't count
- Normally, you can't use a / an in front of uncountable nouns
- Nouns that normally don't have a plural form

- We can make uncountable nouns countable to express quantity. We add a unit or a quantity with "OF"

E.g. a **bar of** chocolate

HOW MUCH...? / HOW MANY...?

- **How much** + uncountable noun
E.g. How much ham?

- **How many** + countable noun
E.g.: How many rashers and sausages

QUANTIFIERS

A **quantifier**, as its name implies, expresses quantity. Quantifiers can be a single word or a phrase and are used with nouns. They can be used with either a countable or an uncountable noun to express amount or quantity.

- **some** + plural nouns or uncountable singular forms. (has an affirmative meaning)

- **any** + plural nouns or uncountable singular forms. (is used with negative sentences and questions.

- **much** + plural nouns

- **a lot of** + uncountable or plural nouns (is more usual in affirmative sentences)

- **a little** + singular uncountable nouns (has a positive meaning)

- **a few** + plurals (has a positive meaning.)

- **no** + zero quantity (no = not any)

CONTAINERS AND QUANTITIES



a) Use a / an or some and write C for countable or U for uncountable.

- ___ money ___
- ___ ponds ___
- ___ cup of tea ___
- ___ sugar ___
- ___ bar of chocolate ___
- ___ ice-cream ___
- ___ rice ___
- ___ glass of water ___
- ___ coffee ___
- ___ cake ___
- ___ eggs ___
- ___ orange ___

b) Use a / an or some and write C for countable or U for uncountable.

water – bread – lemons – chocolate – sugar – tea – milk – oranges- cheese – coffee – eggs

Countable

Uncountable

c) Ask questions using how much or how many

- (eggs) _____ ?
- (meat) _____ ?
- (jam) _____ ?
- (water) _____ ?
- (flour) _____ ?
- (tea) _____ ?
- (oranges) _____ ?
- (oil) _____ ?

d) Choose the correct word / expression and complete the sentences.

some – how much – how many – any

- _____ sandwiches have you got?
- Is there _____ milk in the fridge?
- _____ sugar do you need?
- can you see _____ fruit on the table?
- _____ friends have you got?
- My mother has _____ chocolate for us.
- Mary makes _____ nice scones for tea.

e) Use the words in the box and complete as the example

- bar
- six-pack
- tube
- roll
- head
- bottle
- bunch
- dozen
- slice
- cup
- carton
- jar
- box
- bag
- can



f) Fill in the gaps using any, some, a lot of, much, many, or no.

- There is _____ high school in Florence.
- He hasn't got _ money.
- Would you like some tea?
- Mark likes to read. He has got _____ of books.
- It cost _____ money to travel round the world.
- I haven't got V time to spend with you. I'm sorry.
- Mrs. Milles went to the supermarket to buy some butter but they didn't have _____
- I'd like some cake too. Please, give me _____
- Mr. Smith wants to buy a new car, but he can't because he doesn't earn that _____.
- Their party cost _ more than they expected.
- Don't buy _____ carrots!
- Get _____ bread from the bakery, please.
- There aren't _____ vegetables in the fridge. I'm going to buy _____.
- The shop has got _____ clothes on the shelves.

Ask and answer questions as the example.

- flour / fridge / pantry
Is there any flour in the fridge?- No there isn't, but there is some in the pantry.
- Orange juice / pantry / fridge
_____ ? _____, _____.
- Jam / cupboard / fridge?
_____ ? _____, _____.
- Fruit / cupboard / fridge
_____ ? _____, _____.
- Cheese / table / fridge
_____ ? _____, _____.
- butter / cupboard / fridge
_____ ? _____, _____.