

Countable and Uncountable Nouns

Understand which nouns can be counted and which cannot.

Quick Reference

Type	Rule	Quantifiers	Examples
Countable	Can be counted; has a plural	a/an, many, a few, how many	apple/apples, chair/chairs
Uncountable	Cannot be counted; no plural	much, a little, some, any	water, music, advice, rice

Countable: I have three apples. Can I have an apple?

Uncountable: I need some water. She gave me good advice.

Exercise 1 — Sort the nouns

Write each noun in the correct column.

Word bank: book · milk · friend · furniture · coin · traffic · idea · luggage · song · weather

Countable nouns	Uncountable nouns

Exercise 2 — Choose the correct quantifier

Circle the correct word.

- How (many / much) sugar do you need?
- Can I have (a / some) water, please?

3. She has (a few / a little) friends at school.
 4. There is (too much / too many) traffic today.
 5. I only have (a little / a few) time left.
 6. He bought (an / some) advice from the internet.
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Exercise 3 — Find and correct the mistake

Each sentence has one error. Rewrite the sentence correctly.

1. *She gave me a very good advice.*

Corrected: _____

2. *I need to buy some furnitures for my new flat.*

Corrected: _____

3. *Can you give me an information about the train times?*

Corrected: _____

4. *There are too much books on my desk.*

Corrected: _____

5. *He has a great knowledge about musics.*

Corrected: _____

Exercise 4 — True or False

Write True or False for each statement.

1. "Water" can be made plural: waters.

True / False

2. "Book" is a countable noun.

True / False

3. You can say "three advices".

True / False

4. "A little" is used with countable nouns.

True / False

5. "Some" can be used with both countable and uncountable nouns.

True / False

6. "Luggage" is an uncountable noun.

True / False

TIP Many common uncountable nouns: advice, information, furniture, luggage, traffic, weather, money, knowledge, music, news. Never add -s to these words.