

## MINI LESSON 13: COUNTABLE VS. UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS



Understand the difference between **countable** and **uncountable** nouns and how to use them correctly with articles and quantifiers.

- **Explanation**
- Countable Nouns

These are things you can count. They have singular and plural forms.

- one apple, two apples
- a chair, many chairs
- You can use:
  - a/an
  - some / any
  - many / a few / several
  - numbers (1, 2, 3...)
- **Examples**:
  - I have a book.
  - There are **some oranges** in the bag.
  - He doesn't have any pencils.



# **✓** Uncountable Nouns

These are things you cannot count. They usually don't have a plural form.

- water, milk, sugar, information, advice
- You can use:
  - some / any
  - much / a little
  - a lot of
- **Examples**:
  - I need some water.
  - There isn't much information.
  - We bought a little rice.
- X You CANNOT use a/an or numbers directly with uncountable nouns:
  - X a sugar
  - X two milks
- You must add a unit to be able to count uncountable nouns:
  - ✓ a bag of sugar
  - ✓ two bottles of milk

# **Common Examples**

Countable Uncountable
apple, car, idea water, air, advice

rice, music, furniture

egg, coin, chair



# Practice 1: Countable or Uncountable?

Write	C for	Countable	or <b>U</b> for	Uncountable.
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1.	milk
2.	banana
3.	money
4.	books
5.	sugar
6	chairs

# Practice 2: Fill in the Blanks

Use **some**, **any**, **much**, or **many**.

1.	1. I don't have time.	
2.	2. Do you have bread?	
3.	3. She has friends.	
4.	4. There isn't rice left.	
5.	5. We saw interesting people.	
6.	6. He doesn't need help.	

# Practice 3: Correct or Incorrect?

Write **C** for correct or **I** for incorrect. Then correct the incorrect sentences.

1.	I drank two waters. →
2.	She has a lot of books. →
3.	We need a furniture. →
4.	There isn't much milk. →
5.	Do you have any chairs? →
6.	I need some information. →





### Write 4 sentences:

- Two with **countable nouns** (use "some" or "many")
- Two with **uncountable nouns** (use "much" or "a little")

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# Answer Key

### **Practice 1**

- 1. U
- 2. C
- 3. U
- 4. C
- 5. U
- 6. C

### **Practice 2**

- 1. much
- 2. any
- 3. many
- 4. much
- 5. some
- 6. much

### **Practice 3**

- 1. I (X → I drank two glasses of water.)
- 2 (
- 3. I (★ → We need some furniture.)
- 4. C
- 5. C
- 6. C

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