

## COUNTABLE/UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS: A, SOME, ANY

### 1. Circle the uncountable nouns:

house	car	cheese	apple	money	table
sugar	coffee	cup	pencil	milk	wine
potato	bread	petrol	shoe	film	tea
newspaper	book	water	watch	toast	juice
glass	salt	oil	pen	class	meat
butter	sandwich	ham	egg	advice	holiday
time	chocolate	information	pen	orange	tuna

2. Charles is making an omelette for the first time. He asks his wife Alice who is watching TV.

a) Fill in the gaps with **some** or **any**:

Charles: Alice! Have we got \_\_\_\_\_ eggs?

Alice: Yes, there are \_\_\_\_\_ in the cupboard.

Charles: Have we got \_\_\_\_\_ cheese?

Alice: Yes, there's \_\_\_\_\_ in the fridge.

Charles: Can I use \_\_\_\_\_ olive oil?

Alice: Yes, of course.

Charles: I need \_\_\_\_\_ tomatoes.

Alice: We haven't got \_\_\_\_\_. Charles, would you like \_\_\_\_\_ help?

Charles: No, thanks, I'm OK.

b) **Answer/complete** these questions:

1. Do we use some or any in positive sentences? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Do we use some or any in negative sentences? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Do we usually use some or any in questions? \_\_\_\_\_

4. But we use \_\_\_\_\_ in questions when we expect the answer "Yes" or when the question is an offer.

3. Fill in the gaps with **some** or **any**:

Tom: Let's go for a picnic in the park.

Sarah: OK. We'll make \_\_\_\_\_ sandwiches. What do we need?

Tom: We haven't got \_\_\_\_\_ bread. Can you buy \_\_\_\_\_?

Sarah: Yes, sure. What about butter?

Tom: We've got \_\_\_\_\_. I'll buy \_\_\_\_\_ cheese.

Sarah: OK, and is there \_\_\_\_\_ orange juice in the fridge?

Tom: No, I'll get \_\_\_\_\_.

Sarah: Good. Do we need \_\_\_\_\_ apples or cherries?

Tom: Just \_\_\_\_\_ apples.

Sarah: Oh dear! I haven't got \_\_\_\_\_ money to buy the bread!

Tom: Don't worry. I'll lend you \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Cross out **a/an** if it is wrong and substitute it with **some**. If it is **correct**, put a tick (✓)

1. Can you give me **an** \_\_\_\_\_ information, please?
2. I bought **a** \_\_\_\_\_ suitcase yesterday.
3. We need **a** \_\_\_\_\_ money for the cinema.
4. He's eating **a** \_\_\_\_\_ bread.
5. I'd like **a** \_\_\_\_\_ advice about my future.
6. We stopped at the filling station to get **a** \_\_\_\_\_ petrol.
7. I really need **a** \_\_\_\_\_ holiday.
8. Can you give me **a** \_\_\_\_\_ water, please? I'm thirsty.
9. Can you pass me **a** \_\_\_\_\_ newspaper?
10. Do you want **an** \_\_\_\_\_ apple?

5. Make these sentences **negative**. Use **not...any**

1. We've got some books about cinema.
2. Mary gave me some money yesterday.
3. Susan needs some help with her homework.
4. I bought some apples in the supermarket.
5. She's got some sausages in the fridge.
6. There's some milk in the cupboard.
7. He wrote some letters to his friends.
8. There are some apples left.

6. Rewrite the sentences in exercise 5 using **no**:

1. We've got **no** books about cinema.

7. Fill in the gaps with **some**, **any** or **no**.

1. I'm really thirsty. I need \_\_\_\_\_ water, please.
2. I went to the library, but I couldn't find \_\_\_\_\_ books about art.
3. Can you give me \_\_\_\_\_ coffee, please?
4. She sent \_\_\_\_\_ postcards to her friends, but she didn't make \_\_\_\_\_ phone calls when she was in Britain.
5. It's very cold, so there are \_\_\_\_\_ children playing in the street.
6. I bought \_\_\_\_\_ coffee, but I didn't buy \_\_\_\_\_ tea.
7. Have you got \_\_\_\_\_ chocolate biscuits? I'm sorry, there are \_\_\_\_\_ biscuits left.
8. "Mary, I'm afraid there's \_\_\_\_\_ juice in the fridge.
9. They ate \_\_\_\_\_ apples, but they didn't eat \_\_\_\_\_ oranges.
10. A. "Do you want \_\_\_\_\_ cheese? It's delicious". B. "Ok, give me \_\_\_\_\_."
11. I'm sorry, but I've got \_\_\_\_\_ time to help you.
12. He prepared \_\_\_\_\_ fruit for dessert.
13. I wanted to invite you, but I've got \_\_\_\_\_ money.
14. Is there \_\_\_\_\_ oil in the kitchen?
15. We need \_\_\_\_\_ coins for the car park. Have you got \_\_\_\_\_, Peter?

8. Complete the sentences with **how many**, **how much**, **a lot of**, **enough**, **too many**, **too much**, **not much**, **not many**.

1. A. \_\_\_\_\_ sugar is there? B. There is \_\_\_\_\_ to make the cake, Mary.
2. I have got \_\_\_\_\_ money to buy a ticket for the concert.
3. I've got some rice, but \_\_\_\_\_.
4. A. Have they got \_\_\_\_\_ time to practise sport? B. Yes, but \_\_\_\_\_.
5. A. \_\_\_\_\_ exercises do you have to do, Charles? B. I \_\_\_\_\_, I think.
6. Don't buy any potatoes, we've got \_\_\_\_\_ potatoes left.
7. Peter has got some friends, but \_\_\_\_\_.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ people are there in the classroom?
9. Are there \_\_\_\_\_ people to play a football match?
10. \_\_\_\_\_ eggs do you need to make the omelette?
11. There were \_\_\_\_\_ people at the party, it was fantastic.
12. A. \_\_\_\_\_ chocolate do you eat? B. I think I eat \_\_\_\_\_, but I'm afraid I'm a chocoholic.
13. She ate \_\_\_\_\_ chocolates, so she's got a stomach ache.