



1st semester

Upper Intermediate

Lesson 30



Topic 30:

Grammar: Articles/countable and uncountable nouns/quantifiers



Quantifier - a word or phrase that is used before a noun to show the amount of it that is being considered: "some", "many", "a lot of", and "a few" are examples of quantifiers.

Quantifier	Meaning	Countable Noun	Uncountable Noun
Little	Small, minor	✗	✓
Few	Small, slight	✓	✗
A lot of	a large number or amount	✓	✓
Many	Very, numerous	✓	✗
Much	Very, too, a lot	✗	✓
Any	Never, at all	✓	✓
Lots of	A lot of	✓	✓
Some	an unspecified amount or number of	✓	✓

Countable & Uncountable Nouns



**Countable
Noun**



Can be counted

E.g: an apple, a school, 1 picture, 2 pictures, etc

Can take singular or plural verbs

There is a book on the table.
Those houses are very big, aren't they?



**Uncountable
Noun**

Can not be counted

E.g: sugar, information, water, understanding, etc

Always take singular verbs

There is some water in that pitcher.

ARTICLE DEFINITION

An **article** is a word that modifies or describes the Noun. It is used before the noun to show whether it refers to something specific or not.



TYPES OF ARTICLE

Definite Article

Indefinite Article

DEFINITE ARTICLE

- Definite: To be clear, exact or obvious about something.

INDEFINITE ARTICLE

- Indefinite: Something which is not clear, obvious or exact.



Put the correct word or phrase to complete the sentences !

We're very lucky where we live because we've got _____ different shops nearby that sell great food. There are two butchers and they _____ sell very good meat, but unfortunately, _____ of them sells fish. We can buy fish from a fresh van, but that doesn't come _____ day. There are two delicatessens: _____ sells different things , and _____ sell every kind of cheese you can think of. We've got three very good greengrocers and there are two supermarkets nearby, but we don't go to _____ of them because we prefer the smaller shops. There's also a market _____ weekend. Apart from the food shops, there are very _____ food shops, though - hardly any , in fact. There _____ clothes shops - only a shoe shop and a small boutique. However, there are _____ Indian restaurants ! We've got three of them in High Street alone.