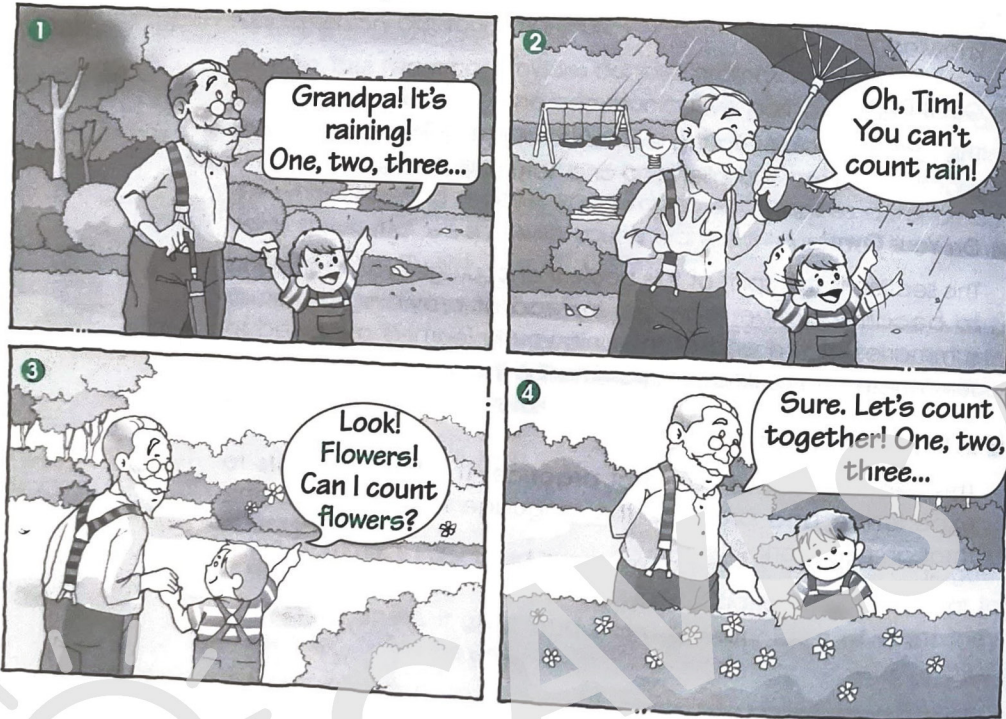


Unit 1 Countable and Uncountable Nouns:

We can count flowers, but not rain.

Focus 02

Listen and repeat the dialogue.



Give It a Try 03

1 Listen and write.

a. _____ noun

b. _____ noun

2 Listen and check.

flowers rain parks

Learn about It

Some nouns are countable (nouns we can count), and some nouns are uncountable (nouns we can't count or not easy to count).

Countable nouns have singular and plural.

Singular	Plural
bank	banks
box	boxes
orange	oranges
story	stories

- ◆ There is a **bank** near my house.
- ◆ There are two **banks** near her house.

Special Notes:

We need to put **a**, **an** or **the** before a singular countable noun.

Uncountable nouns are always singular, and we **don't** need to put **a**, **an**, or a **number** before it.

Singular			
coffee	meat	butter	air
juice	beef	oil	rain
tea	chicken	salt	snow
water	pork	sugar	smoke

- ◆ I don't want to drink **coffee**.
- ◆ My **hair** is black.

* Please see the **appendix on page 96** for other examples of uncountable nouns.

1 Check the box if you can count the noun.



park



hair



dog



book



girl



pork



smoke



water

2 Fill in the blanks with *x*, *a/an*, or *plural nouns*.

1. I love X juice.
2. Is she a student?
3. Where are those boys (boy)?
4. Mary is drinking _____ milk.
5. There are two _____ (bus) in front of the school.
6. There is _____ umbrella under the table.
7. He doesn't have _____ hair.
8. There are three _____ (fly) on the table.
9. I don't eat _____ rice for breakfast.

3 Make sentences.

1. You / can / have / **hamburger** / for breakfast / .
You can have a hamburger for breakfast.
2. the girl / has / long / **leg** / .

3. kids / cannot / drink / **coffee** / .

4. there is / **egg** / on / the table / .

5. there are / five / **doll** / in / Betty's room / .

6. does / she / drink / **water** / every day / ?



Get It Done

Complete the conversation with the correct forms of the nouns.

Lisa: Hey, Billy. Let's go get some meat (meat) and _____ (vegetable) for tonight's BBQ.

Billy: OK! But where can we buy all the food?

Lisa: There is _____ (supermarket) nearby. We can go over there.

Billy: Great!

(In the supermarket...)

Billy: Well, I think that's just about everything.

Lisa: I'm not sure. Let me check... We have _____ (bread), _____ (chicken), _____ (beef), _____ (juice), _____ (mushroom), and...

Billy: Wow, my mouth is watering already.



On Your Own

List all the nouns in the above parentheses () and put them into the correct columns.

Countable Nouns	Uncountable Nouns
	meat



In Your Own Words

Work with a partner. Make chain sentences with countable/uncountable nouns. In the first round—use only uncountable nouns; in the second round—use only countable nouns.

Example: **A:** In a supermarket, I can buy milk.

B: In a supermarket, I can buy milk and tea.

A: In a supermarket, I can buy milk, tea, and sugar.

Review 1

① Write **C** (countable noun) or **UC** (uncountable noun) in the blanks.



beef _____ soda _____ carrots _____
cereal _____ strawberries _____

Use **how much** and **how many** to write questions with the things above.

How many...are there?	How much...is there?
How many carrots are there?	How much beef is there?

② Use **a**, **an** or **the** to complete the sentences.

- _____ hat in the middle is red.
- We need to buy _____ new camera.
- Jane is wearing _____ skirt today.
- Hank dreams to be _____ engineer in the future.
- Did you have fun at _____ party yesterday?
- What _____ ugly duckling it is!

③ Fill in the blanks with **subject** or **object pronouns**.

- A: Is Lisa your classmate?
B: Yes, _____ is. I sit in front of _____.
- A: Do you like May and Tony?
B: Yes, _____ do. I like _____ a lot.
- A: Are you sure you want to live with _____?
B: Yes, _____ am sure I want to live with you.
- A: Does Sue know Eric?
B: Yes, _____ knows _____.
- A: Can you and Tony come out and play?
B: No, _____ can't. Our mother wants _____ to stay at home.
- A: Look! That's Bob's dog.
B: Don't get close to _____. _____ bites people.

④ Complete the dialogue.

May: I'm going shopping with Tony. Do you want to come with _____ (we/us)?

Rose: Yes, but I have _____ (a /a lot of) homework. Can you wait for _____ (I/me)?

May: _____ time do you need?

Rose: Maybe one hour.

May: Sorry, we can't wait for _____, but we can buy you anything you need.

Rose: OK, I need _____ (a little/a few) butter. There isn't _____ butter at home. I need _____ (some/any) to make _____ (a/an/the) apple pie.

May: Is that all?

Rose: No, I also need _____ (a little/a few) apples.

May: _____ apples do you need?

Rose: I need four.

May: OK. Anything else?

Rose: No, that's it. Thanks!