

QUANTIFIERS COUNTABLE NOUNS



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MANY

+ plural countable nouns in affirmative,

TOO MANY

negative or interrogative sentences

I don't have many friends.

MANY = A LARGE NUMBER OF

FEW

+ plural countable nouns

A FEW

FEW = NOT MANY, ALMOST ONE, NOT ENOUGH
(FEW normally conveys a negative idea)

He has few good friends. (negative idea – not enough)

Few people went to the concert.

A FEW = SOME; NOT A LOT, BUT ENOUGH
(A FEW normally conveys a positive idea)

He has a few friends that will help. (positive idea – a small amount)

I have a few days off next month.

A LOT (OF)

+ plural countable nouns

She has a lot of friends. (=She has lots of friends)

There are a lot of cars on the street.

QUANTIFIERS UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS



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MUCH

+ uncountable nouns in negative or interrogative sentences

TOO MUCH

I won't need much water for the training.

MUCH = A LARGE AMOUNT OF

LITTLE

+ plural uncountable nouns

A LITTLE

LITTLE = NOT MUCH, ALMOST NONE, NOT ENOUGH
(LITTLE normally conveys a negative idea)

There was little time to finish it. (negative idea – nearly no time)

He has little patience with others.

A LITTLE = SOME; NOT A LOT, BUT ENOUGH
(A LITTLE normally conveys a positive idea)

I have a little milk you can use. (positive idea – a small amount)

She has a little time to relax before going to work.

A LOT (OF)

+ uncountable nouns

I need a lot of coffee. (= I need lots of coffee)

There is a lot of traffic today.

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COUNTABLE NOUNS

UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS

MANY

TOO MANY

MUCH

TOO MUCH

FEW

A FEW

LITTLE

A LITTLE

A LOT (OF)



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Choose the best option.

1. How ... apples are there on the table?

a) many b) much

2. I want to buy a new sports car, but I only have ... money.

a) a few b) a little

3. There are ... people waiting outside the theater.

a) many b) much

4. How ... times did the phone ring before you answered it?

a) many b) much

5. I have ... friends who live in other countries.

a) many b) much

6. How ... sugar did you buy at the supermarket?

a) many b) much

7. Do you usually drink very ... coffee in the morning?

a) many b) much

8. There wasn't ... food in the kitchen, so I decided to go to a restaurant.

a) many b) much

9. I had lots of free time, so I read ... books during the holiday.

a) a few b) a little

10. How ... time do we have before the test?

a) many b) much

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11. I moved to this city last week, so I still don't have ... friends.
a) many b) much
12. There is ... bread on the table next to the jam.
a) a few b) a little
13. Are you hungry? There are ...cookies in the cupboard.
a) a few b) a little
14. I had a great time at the beach, but now I have ... sand in my shoes!
a) many b) much
15. Did you find out very ... information about the college?
a) many b) much
16. There are ... kids playing outside in the garden.
a) many b) much
17. How many pets do you have, many or ...?
a) a few b) a little
18. I think we still have ... time to study before the exam.
a) a few b) a little

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Fill in: much, many, lots of, a lot of, little, most, a little, little, a few, few.

1. It seems we have had _____ assignments in English this year.
2. How _____ do we have to read this week?
3. _____ Americans don't like George Bush
4. There aren't very _____ books in the library.
5. I think he drank _____ wine last night.
6. I have had _____ headaches already because of the stress.
7. I didn't use _____ fertilizer last spring, that's why we had so _____ weeds.
8. It has rained very _____ this summer, that's why the grass is so brown.
9. _____ people know as much about computers as Jack does.
10. I'm having _____ trouble passing my driving test.
11. I do have _____ friends but not that many.
12. How _____ juice is left in the bottle?

Complete the sentences using the words from the box.

LITTLE / A LITTLE / FEW / A FEW

1. We have _____ time left. Let's try to get finished quickly.
2. You have _____ ideas left, so let's hear them.
3. I have got very _____ friends, so I'm alone most of the time.
4. Would you like _____ water?
5. What you need is _____ more self-confidence.
6. _____ is known about how the disease spreads.
7. I'm sorry, but I speak _____ Spanish. Can't we communicate in English?
8. Very _____ people went to see the movie.
9. Mary managed to get _____ piece of cake.
10. She saves _____ money every month because she wants to go on a cruise next summer.

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ANSWERS

1. A 2. B 3. A 4. B 5. A 6. B 7. B 8. B 9. A 10. B 11. A
12. B 13. A 14. B 15. B 16. A 17. A 18. B

Fill in: much, many, lots of, a lot of, little, most, a little, little, a few, few.

1. It seems we have had a lot of, many, lots of assignments in English this year.
2. How much do we have to read this week?
3. Most, Many, A lot of Americans don't like George Bush
4. There aren't very many books in the library.
5. I think he drank a lot of, lots of, much wine last night.
6. I have had a few headaches already because of the stress.
7. I didn't use much a lot of, lots of fertilizer last spring, that's why we had so many weeds
8. It has rained very little this summer, that's why the grass is so brown.
9. Few people know as much about computers as Jack does.
10. I'm having a lot of, much, lots of, little trouble passing my driving test.
11. I do have a few friends but not that many.
12. How much juice is left in the bottle?

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ANSWERS

Complete the sentences using the words from the box.

1. We have little time left. Let's try to get finished quickly.
2. You have a few ideas left, so let's hear them.
3. I have got very few friends, so I'm alone most of the time.
4. Would you like a little water?
5. What you need is a little more self-confidence.
6. Little is known about how the disease spreads.
7. I'm sorry, but I speak little Spanish. Can't we communicate in English?
8. Very few people went to see the movie.
9. Mary managed to get a little piece of cake.
10. She saves a little money every month because she wants to go on a cruise next summer.