

## Activity Type

Grammar and Speaking  
Activity: information gap,  
asking and answering  
questions from prompts,  
freer practice (pair work)

## Focus

*How much...?*

*How many...?*

Countable and  
uncountable nouns

## Aim

To write *How much...?*  
and *How many...?*  
questions in order to find  
out missing information  
in a text about four  
athletes and then to ask  
and answer the questions  
with a partner.

## Preparation

Make one copy of the two  
worksheets for each pair  
of students.

## Level

Pre-intermediate (A2)

## Time

30 minutes

## Introduction

In this quantifiers activity, students write *How much...?* and *How many...?* questions in order to find out missing information in a text about four athletes. Students then ask and answer the questions with a partner.

## Procedure

Divide the class into two groups (A and B) and give each student a corresponding worksheet.

Working together with the people in their group, students read the paragraphs and write down the *How much/many...?* questions they need to ask in order to complete the missing information about the four athletes on their worksheet. When both groups have finished writing, check the questions with each group.

## Answer key

### Student A

1. How much orange juice does Kristine drink a day?
2. How much money does she have in the bank?
3. How many swimming pools are there in her garden?
4. How many hours does Ross train every day?
5. How many eggs does he eat a week?
6. How much milk does he drink a day?
7. How many snowboarding events does Dan go to a year?
8. How many houses does he have?
9. How much pasta does he usually eat a week?
10. How many kilometres does Lin run every week?
11. How many bananas does she usually eat a day?
12. How many different countries does she travel to every year?

### Student B

1. How many hours does Kristine train every day?
2. How many apples does she eat a week?
3. How many tennis courts are there in her garden?
4. How many children does Ross have?
5. How many Olympic gold medals does he have?
6. How much meat does he eat a week?
7. How many different countries does Dan travel to a year?
8. How many motorbikes does he have?
9. How much wine does he drink on Saturday night?
10. How many World Championship medals does Lin have?
11. How much water does she usually drink a day?
12. How many bicycles has she got?

Students then pair up with someone from the other group. The students take it in turns to ask their partner the *How much/many...?* questions they have prepared and fill in the gaps on the worksheet with their partner's answers. When the students have finished, they check their answers by comparing worksheets.

**Student A**

**A. Write *How much...?* or *How many...?* questions to find out the missing information about the athletes.**



Kristine is a tennis player from France. She lives near Paris. She trains for five hours every day. She drinks (1) ..... of orange juice a day and eats twenty apples a week. She's very rich and has (2) ..... dollars in the bank. There are three tennis courts and (3) ..... swimming pools in her garden.

- 1. ....
- 2. ....
- 3. ....



Ross is from England and he is a weightlifter. He lives in a big house in London with his wife and four children. He trains for (4) ..... hours every day and has five Olympic gold medals. He usually eats (5) ..... eggs and ten kilograms of meat a week. He also drinks (6) ..... of milk a day.

- 4. ....
- 5. ....
- 6. ....



Dan is a snowboarder from Norway. He goes to (7) ..... snowboarding events a year and travels to thirty different countries. He has (8) ..... houses and nine motorbikes. He usually eats (9) ..... of pasta a week and drinks one bottle of wine on Saturday night.

- 7. ....
- 8. ....
- 9. ....



Lin is from Spain and she is a marathon runner. She runs (10) ..... kilometres every week and has two World Championship medals. She usually eats (11) ..... bananas and drinks eight litres of water a day. Every year, she travels to (12) ..... different countries. She hasn't got a car, but she's got five bicycles.

- 10. ....
- 11. ....
- 12. ....

**B. Now, ask your partner the questions and fill in the missing information.**

**Student B**

**A. Write *How much...?* or *How many...?* questions to find out the missing information about the athletes.**



Kristine is a tennis player from France. She lives near Paris. She trains for (1) ..... hours every day. She drinks two litres of orange juice a day and eats (2) ..... apples a week. She's very rich and has five million dollars in the bank. There are (3) ..... tennis courts and two swimming pools in her garden.

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....



Ross is from England and he is a weightlifter. He lives in a big house in London with his wife and (4) ..... children. He trains for six hours every day and has (5) ..... Olympic gold medals. He usually eats fifty eggs and (6) ..... of meat a week. He also drinks three litres of milk a day.

4. ....
5. ....
6. ....



Dan is a snowboarder from Norway. He goes to thirty-five snowboarding events a year and travels to (7) ..... different countries. He has three houses and (8) ..... motorbikes. He usually eats four kilos of pasta a week and drinks (9) ..... of wine on Saturday night.

7. ....
8. ....
9. ....



Lin is from Spain and she is a marathon runner. She runs one hundred kilometres every week and has (10) ..... World Championship medals. She usually eats five bananas and drinks (11) ..... of water a day. Every year, she travels to twenty different countries. She hasn't got a car, but she's got (12) ..... bicycles.

10. ....
11. ....
12. ....

**B. Now, ask your partner the questions and fill in the missing information.**