

Activity Type

Grammar, Vocabulary and Speaking Game: categorising, gapfill, guessing, asking questions from prompts (pair work)

Focus

Countable and uncountable food and drink nouns

Quantifiers

Aim

To practice using countable and uncountable food and drink nouns with quantifiers.

Preparation

Make a copy of the worksheet for each student.

Level

Intermediate (B1)

Time

25 minutes

Introduction

Here is an engaging countable and uncountable nouns guessing game to help students practice using countable and uncountable food and drink nouns with quantifiers.

Procedure

Give each student a copy of the worksheet.

Students begin by categorizing which quantifiers can be used with countable nouns and which can be used with uncountable nouns.

Point out that some quantifiers can be used with both types of noun.

Exercise A - Answer key

Countable nouns: *many, some, a few, plenty of, a lot of, any* Uncountable nouns: *much, some, a bit of, plenty of, a lot of, any*

Next, students read ten food and drink gap-fill statements and complete each statement with a true answer (a countable or uncountable food or drink noun) by randomly writing each answer in the answers box below.

Remind students to make sure their answers are grammatically correct for the quantifier shown in each statement.

Next, students swap worksheets with a partner.

Students then look at their partner's answers in the box and guess which one completes each statement.

Students write their guesses in the second column.

Afterwards, students ask questions to their partner to find out if their guesses are right or wrong, e.g. 'Do you think drinking some coco before bed helps you to fall asleep?'

Students put a tick if their guess is right.

If their guess is wrong, they put a cross and write the correct answer in the gap.

The student with the most correct guesses in each pair wins.



A. Categorize which quantifiers below can be used with countable nouns and which can be used with uncountable nouns. Some quantifiers can be used with both types of noun.

much	many	some	a bit of	a few	plenty of	a lot of	any
Countable no	ouns:						
Uncountable	nouns:						

B. Read the food and drink gap-fill statements and complete each statement with a true answer (a countable or uncountable food or drink noun) by randomly writing each answer in the answer box below.

Statements	My Guesses	✓/ X					
1. Drinking some before bed helps you to fall asleep.							
2. Pasta without a bit of feels incomplete.							
3. Having a bit of is refreshing on a hot day.							
4. I enjoy eating a few when I watch TV at home.							
5. I love cooking plenty of so that I can have leftovers.							
6. There are many in my fridge.							
7. They say that drinking a lot of is good for your health.							
8. I love having a few with a hamburger.							
9. I don't put any in my coffee or tea.							
10. I don't buy much when I go to the supermarket.							
Answers							

C. Swap your worksheet with a partner. Look at your partner's answers in the box and guess which one completes each statement. Write your guesses in the second column.

D. Ask questions to your partner to find out if your guesses are right or wrong, e.g. 'Do you think drinking some coco before bed helps you to fall asleep?' Put a tick if your guess is right. If your guess is wrong, put a cross and write the correct answer in the gap.