## **Questions**

How much ....? = uncountable nouns

For example: How much coffee do you drink?

How many ....? = countable nouns

For example: How many cups of coffee do you drink?

## **Learn It**

How do you count uncountable nouns? You can't, but you can measure them. You have to use 'counters'



Uncountable	Sugar	Jewellery	Cheese	Wine	Furniture	Money
Uncountable	How much	How much	How much	How much	How much	How much
Question	sugar is	jewellery is	cheese is	wine is	furniture is	money is
Question	there?	there?	there?	there?	there?	there?
	There's a	There's	There's a	Theory	There's	Therete a lat
Answer	lot of	some	lot of	There's	some	There's a lot
	sugar.	jewellery.	cheese.	some wine.	furniture.	of money.
Add a word	bowl	piece	round	bottle	piece	bag
Make it	A bowl of	A piece of	A round of	A bottle of	A piece of	A bag of
Countable	sugar.	jewellery.	cheese.	wine.	furniture.	money.
	How many	How many	How many	How many	How many	How many
Countable	bowls of	pieces of	rounds of	bottles of	pieces of	bags of
Question	sugar are	jewellery	cheese are	wine are	furniture are	money are
	there?	are there?	there?	there?	there?	there?
	There's	There are	There are	There's only	There are	There are
Answer	one bowl	two	three	one bottle of	two pieces	four <b>bags</b> of
	of sugar.	pieces of	rounds of	wine. 🥯	of furniture.	money.

## Other words you can add to make uncountable nouns countable:-

You can put something into a container to count it, but the thing you're counting doesn't take the plural form. The container takes the plural form:-

bag A bag of money.

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barrel Two barrels of beer.



bottle Three bottles of wine.



bowl Four bowls of sugar.



box Five boxes of cereal.



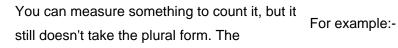
bucket Six buckets of water.



can Seven cans of Coke.



Eight cartons of milk. carton Nine cups of coffee. cup Ten glasses of water. glass Eleven jars of honey. jar A dozen packets of butter. packet a saucepan Thirteen pans of rice. Fifteen tanks of petrol. tank tin Sixteen tins of custard. Seventeen tubs of tub margarine.



Eighteen tubes of

toothpaste.

tube

measurement takes the plural form:-

litre

1 and a half litres of milk.



pint

Two pints of beer.



pound / ounce / kilo etc...

Two pounds / ounces / kilos of butter.



You can measure uncountable nouns in other ways, using shapes or portions.

Again the measurement takes the plural form.

ball

Ten balls of wool.



bar

Three bars of soap.



pinch

Two pinches of salt.



slice

Five slices of

cake.



spoon

Fourteen spoonfuls of sugar.



square

Ten squares of chocolate.