

# Quantifiers

# A lot of/ lots of

- In affirmative (+) with countable and uncountable nouns.

Ex. There are a lot of / lots of stars in the sky.

There is a lot of/ lots of milk in the bottle.

- He looks \_\_\_\_ younger than me.
  - a) a lot
  - b) lots of
  - c) a lot of
- \_\_\_\_ of taxis pass down this street.
  - a) Lots
  - b) A lots
  - c) Lot
- There are a \_\_\_\_ smokers in my family.
  - a) lots
  - b) a lot
  - c) lot of
- We have \_\_\_\_ time to get it finished.
  - a) lots of
  - b) a lot
  - c) lot of
- I don't like apples \_\_\_\_.
  - a) a lot
  - b) a lot of
  - c) lots of





# Many /much

- Many (with countables) and much (with uncountables) are used in questions (?) and negotiations (-).

Ex. How many friends have you got?

There isn't much cheese in the fridge.

Many people can't find jobs nowadays.

- Jane hasn't got time.
- Do you know words in English?
- He didn't eat meat.
- There isn't butter in the fridge.
- How eggs did the hens lay?
- Samantha has as money as Bruce.
- How lessons do you have on Mondays?
- There was too noise in the streets.
- I cannot see stars in the sky tonight.
- Do you have friends abroad?



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# Some/any

- The words some and any are used for countable and uncountable nouns.
- In general, we could say that some means a few / a little and any means none in negative clauses or a few / a little in questions.



1. Sue went to the cinema with      of her friends!
2. Jane doesn't have      friends.
3. Have you got      brothers or sisters?
4. Here is      food for the cat.
5. I think you should put      flowers on the table.
6. Could you check if there are      calls on the answering machine?
7. I don't want      presents for my birthday.
8. Did they have      news for you?
9. I'm hungry - I'll have      sandwiches.
10. There aren't      apples left.



# A little/ little/ a few/ few

- The expressions *a little* and *a few* mean *some*.
- If a noun is in singular, we use *a little*  
Ex. a little money
- If a noun is in plural, we use *a few*  
Ex. a few friends
- Little and few have a limiting or negative meaning.

- There will be rain this week.
- My friends are coming over tonight.
- I need sleep.
- Could you buy bottles of water for me?
- My parents give me pocket money every week.
- All we need is luck.
- I would like to eat biscuits now.
- There is still bread left.
- My friend knows English poems.
- There are birthdays to celebrate this month



# A little/ a few/ little/

**few**

- 1) I have water left. There's enough to share.
- 2) I have good friends. I'm not lonely.
- 3) He has education. He can't read or write, and he can hardly count.
- 4) There are people she really trusts. It's a bit sad.
- 5) We've got time at the weekend. Would you like to meet?
- 6) Julie gave us apples from her garden. Shall we share them?
- 7) She has self-confidence. She has a lot of trouble talking to new people.
- 8) There are women politicians in the UK. Many people think there should be more.
- 9) It's a great pity, but the hospital has medicine.