



Countable and Uncountable Nouns

Definition and Concept

Countable Nouns

These are nouns that can be counted individually using numbers. They can take both singular and plural forms.

Examples:

- One book, two books
- A girl, three girls
- One rabbit, several rabbits

Key Feature:

You can use numbers with them (e.g., 1 apple, 5 pens).

Uncountable Nouns

These are nouns that cannot be counted as separate individual units. They usually refer to substances, liquids, or abstract concepts.

Examples:

- Water, sugar, rice, salt, oil, milk

Key Feature:

You cannot use numbers directly (e.g., you do not say "two rice" or "five salt").

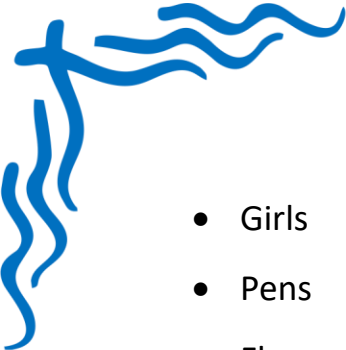
Learning Outcomes

By the end of this chapter, students will:

- Understand the difference between countable and uncountable nouns.
- Learn correct usage of “many” for countable nouns and “much” for uncountable nouns.

Examples:

i. Countable Nouns:



- Girls
- Pens
- Flowers
- Kites
- Oranges
- Rabbits

ii. Uncountable Nouns:

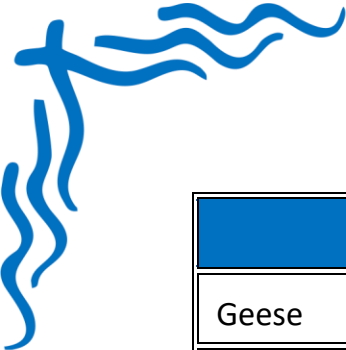
- Water
- Rice
- Salt
- Oil
- Milk
- Flour

Activities in the Chapter

A. Mark the Nouns

Write C for countable and UC for uncountable nouns.

Word	Type
Pencil	Countable (C)
Brush	Countable (C)
Balloon	Countable (C)
Bus	Countable (C)
Oil	Uncountable (UC)
Flour	Uncountable (UC)



Word	Type
Geese	Countable (C)
Mango	Countable (C)
Coffee	Uncountable (UC)
Book	Countable (C)
Lion	Countable (C)
Key	Countable (C)
Dust	Uncountable (UC)
Bird	Countable (C)
Salt	Uncountable (UC)
Rice	Uncountable (UC)
Milk	Uncountable (UC)
Tree	Countable (C)

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B. Identify and Mark

Circle the Countable Nouns

Underline the Uncountable Nouns

Examples:

1. Policemen caught the thieves. — (Circle: Policemen, thieves)
2. I use less oil in my food. — (Underline: oil)
3. The postman distributed the letters. — (Circle: postman, letters)
4. She drinks a lot of water. — (Underline: water)
5. The doctors of this hospital are hard-working. — (Circle: doctors)



C. Identify the Odd One Out

Choose the noun that is different in type (countable vs uncountable):

1. fog, gas, pen → Pen is countable
2. fire, boy, milk → Boy is countable
3. mist, key, cement → Key is countable
4. water, man, woman → Man/Woman are countable
5. sand, oil, cup → Cup is countable

D. Important Points to Remember

Use “many” with countable nouns.

e.g., How many books do you have?

Use “much” with uncountable nouns.

e.g., How much water do you drink daily?

E. Some uncountable nouns can be made countable by adding units or containers:

A glass of water

A spoon of sugar

A bag of rice

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