

Activity Type

Grammar and Vocabulary Exercises: categorising, spelling, matching, binary choice, error correction, multiple choice

Focus

Countable and uncountable nouns

Aim

To learn and practice singular and plural forms of countable and uncountable nouns.

Preparation

Make one copy of the two-page worksheet for each student.

Level

Pre-intermediate (A2)

Time

30 minutes

Introduction

This countable and uncountable nouns worksheet helps students learn and practice singular and plural forms of countable and uncountable nouns.

Procedure

Students begin by categorizing nouns, according to whether they are countable or uncountable.

Exercise A - Answer key

Countable nouns: apple, baby, beach, class, dress, family, flower, idea, shirt, story, tomato, window.

Uncountable nouns: cheese, clothes, coffee, homework, milk, money, pants, sugar, sunglasses, time, traffic, water.

Next, students complete plural countable nouns (a to l) with vowels. Students then match the singular and plural forms of the countable nouns together.

Exercise B - Answer key

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|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| 1. beach | e. beaches | 7. baby | i. babies |
| 2. window | l. windows | 8. class | j. classes |
| 3. family | g. families | 9. shirt | k. shirts |
| 4. idea | h. ideas | 10. tomato | d. tomatoes |
| 5. apple | f. apples | 11. flower | b. flowers |
| 6. dress | c. dresses | 12. story | a. stories |

Students then move on to circle correct answers to complete sentences, containing singular and plural uncountable nouns.

Exercise C - Answer key

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| 1. are / them | 4. Are these / these |
| 2. is / isn't | 5. was / was |
| 3. isn't / wasn't | 6. is / is |

After that, students do an error correction exercise to practice the singular and plural forms of both countable and uncountable nouns.

Exercise D - Answer key

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| 1. apples, family | 4. window, T-shirt |
| 2. idea, story | 5. homework, class |
| 3. cheese, tomatoes | |

In the last exercise, students choose multiple-choice answers to complete a set of sentences.

Exercise E - Answer key

1. d 2. a 3. c 4. c 5. a 6. c 7. b 8. d

A. Put the nouns in the correct column.

apple water time class sugar family beach cheese
 idea money baby dress story milk pants clothes flower
 sunglasses shirt tomato traffic homework window coffee



| Countable nouns | Uncountable nouns |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| apple | water |

B. Complete the plural countable nouns (a to l) with vowels. Then, match the singular and plural forms of the countable nouns together.

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|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 1. beach | a. s t _ r _ _ s | 7. baby | g. f _ m _ l _ _ s |
| 2. window | b. f l _ w _ r s | 8. class | h. _ d _ _ s |
| 3. family | c. d r _ s s _ s | 9. shirt | i. b _ b _ _ s |
| 4. idea | d. t _ m _ t _ _ s | 10. tomato | j. c l _ s s _ s |
| 5. apple | e. b _ _ c h _ s | 11. flower | k. s h _ r t s |
| 6. dress | f. _ p p l _ s | 12. story | l. w _ n d _ w s |

C. Uncountable nouns are either always singular or plural. Circle the correct answers to complete the sentences.

- Your clothes *is / are* everywhere! Can you please put *it / them* in the closet?
- The traffic *is / are* really bad. There *isn't / aren't* much time left before the movie starts. I hope we get there on time.
- There *isn't / aren't* any coffee because there *wasn't / weren't* any money left to buy some.
- Is this / Are these* your sunglasses? I found them in *this / these* pants.
- The sugar *was / were* hard to find in the supermarket, but the milk *was / were* easy.
- Why *is / are* there water all over the desk? Look! Even my homework *is / are* covered in it.

D. Rewrite the sentences, correcting the noun mistakes.

1. These apple are delicious. I will buy some to take home to my families.

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2. That is an excellent ideas! Your stories is going to be really good.

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3. I bought some cheeses and tomato from the market.

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4. Can you close that windows please? I'm only wearing a T-shirts.

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5. I need to do my homeworks. My classes is early in the morning.

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E. Choose the correct multiple-choice answers and complete the sentences.

1. There some clothes here, but mine.

- a. is / it isn't b. are / it isn't c. is / they aren't d. are / they aren't

2. There many in the fridge. We don't need any more.

- a. are / tomatoes b. is / tomato c. are / tomatos d. is / tomatoes

3. My sister had a last month, so our family very happy!

- a. babies / is b. babys / are c. baby / is d. babies / are

4. How much do you have? I need to buy some for mum.

- a. money / flower b. moneys / flowers c. money / flowers d. moneys / flower

5. I can't drink this any sugar?

- a. coffee / Is there b. coffee / Are there c. coffees / Is there d. coffees / Are there

6. I have different for when I go to the

- a. dress / beach b. dress / beaches c. dresses / beach d. dresses / beaches

7. How many do I need to tell you? The clock shows the wrong!

- a. time / time b. times / time c. time / times d. times / times

8. Driving to the cinema was not a good There's so much We'll never get there on time.

- a. idea / traffics b. ideas / traffics c. ideas / traffic d. idea / traffic