

# Grammar L1GLO2

## Count and Noncount Nouns

Learning Outcome 2: Nouns: countable & uncountable

**NOTICING A** Read the sentences. Before which underlined words can you use a number? Circle them.

1. Here is some paper.
2. I have two blue pens.
3. Do you want a glass?
4. I'd like some water.
5. We have four lessons today.
6. I don't like tea with milk.
7. Ahmed needs a new phone.
8. I don't have much sugar.
9. They have a lot of money.
10. You need some sunscreen.
11. We have a good idea!
12. I did an hour of homework.

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You can use *a/an* or a number before some words. This tells you how many of these things, people, etc. there are. These words have a plural form, e.g. *person* (1), *people* (plural). They are called count nouns.

You can't use *a/an* or a number before some words. You use other words like *some*, *a lot of* or *much* before these words. These words do not have a plural form. They are called noncount nouns.

**B** Read the sentences. Choose the correct option.

1. Have (a / some) rice with your chicken.
2. You can pay ten (dollars / moneys) now.
3. I want to go on (a / some) holiday.
4. Noor has (a / a lot of) work to do.
5. I would like (two / some) juice.
6. We need more (information / informations).
7. Put (a / some) salt in the sauce.
8. I can bring (– / two) bread.

**C** Look at the words for things students have in their bags. Answer the questions below.

book food key money paper pen phone water

1. Which things do you have in your bag today?
2. Which things are count nouns?
3. Which things are noncount nouns?

**D** Work in pairs. Tell your partner what things you have in your bag today. For count nouns, use *a/an* or the number of the things you have. For noncount nouns, use *some* or *a lot of*.