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APC English

week 2 lesson 2

# Nouns

# Introduction

- Irregular nouns
- Countable & Uncountable nouns

# Concrete & abstract nouns

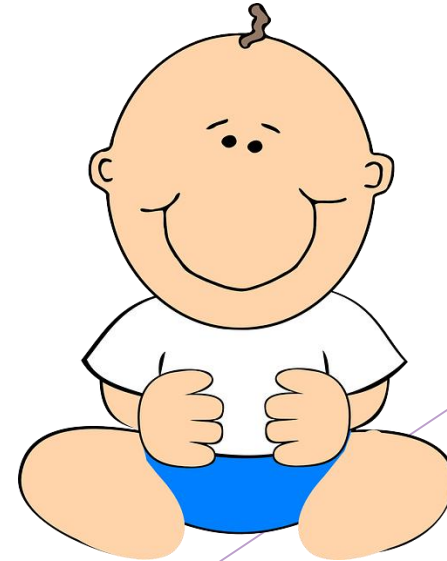
## Concrete nouns

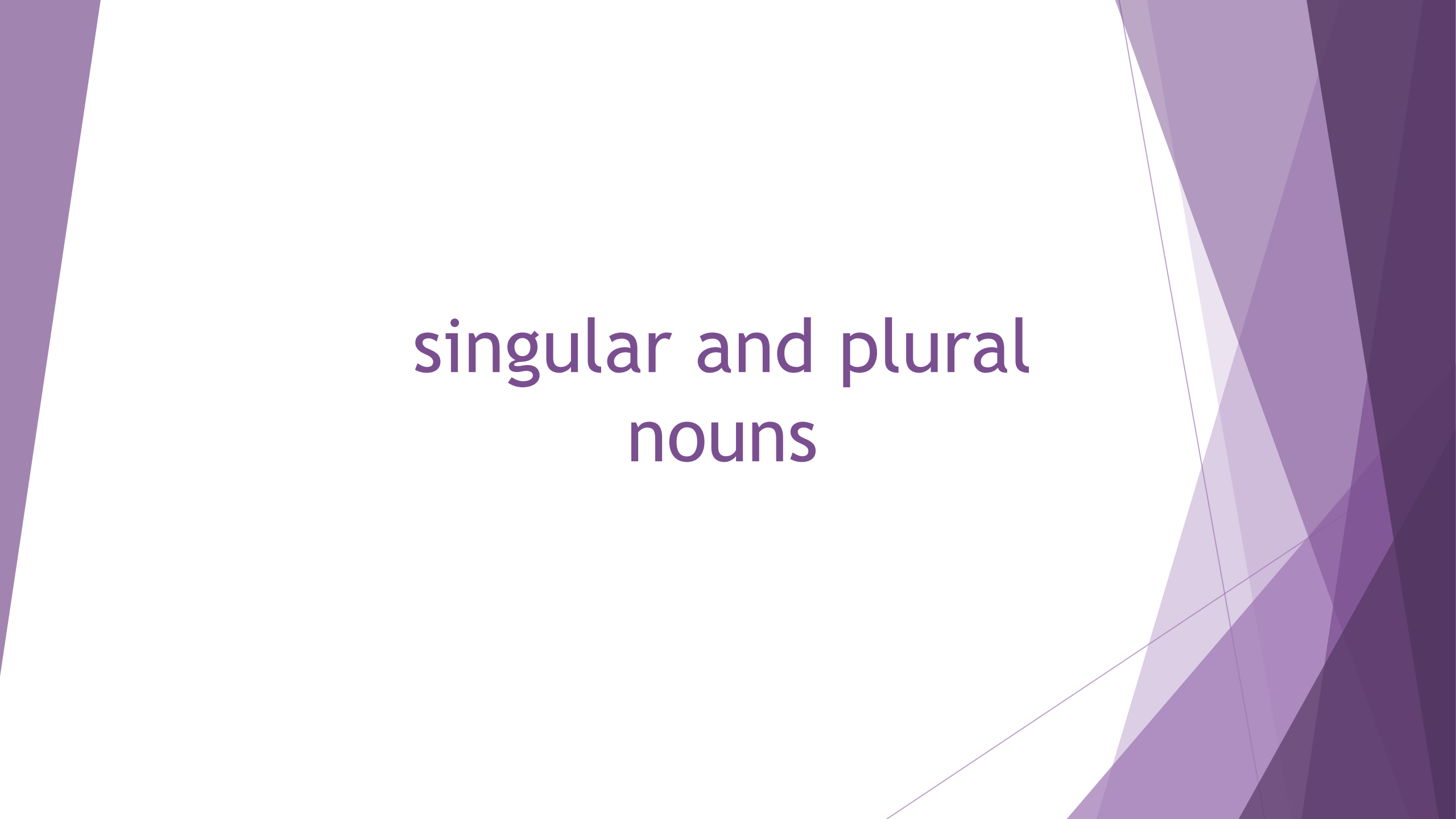
- a physical thing
- e.g. dog, ball, cliff



## Abstract nouns

- not concrete, not a physical thing
- sadness - can you see or touch sadness?
- e.g. freedom, happiness, permission



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# singular and plural nouns

*Singular = 1 (one)*

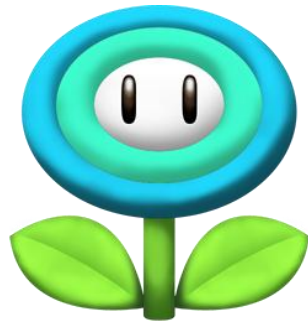
*Plural = 2 + (two or more)*

A flower → flowers

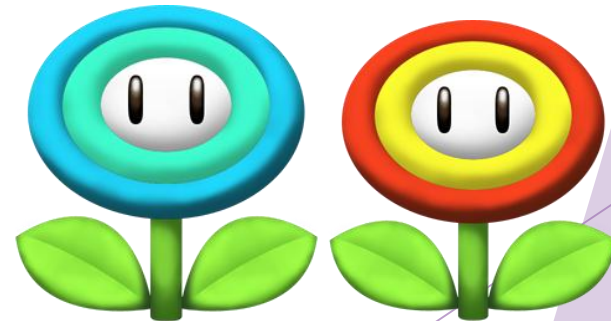
A week → weeks

A nice place → nice places

This hat → these hats



A flower



flowers

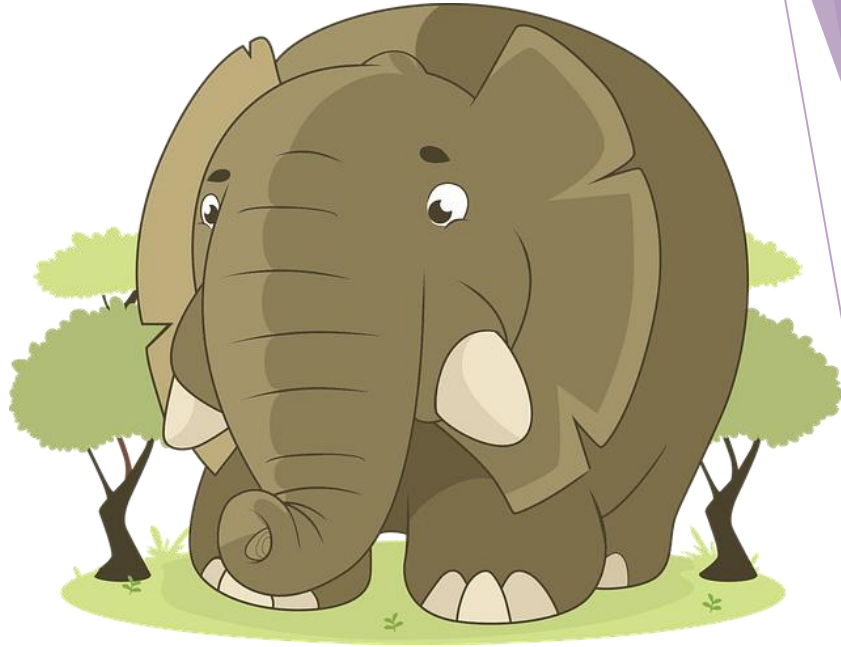
# Single & plural nouns

## Regular nouns

most nouns

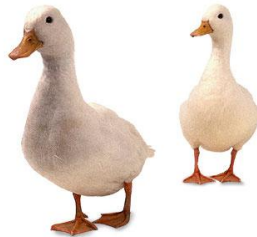
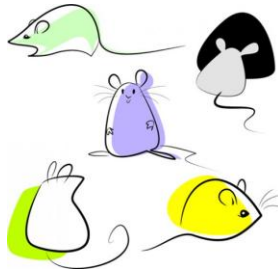
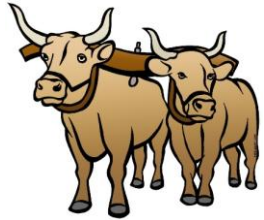
add -s,

one elephant, two elephants



## Irregular nouns

|        |         |           |         |        |       |
|--------|---------|-----------|---------|--------|-------|
| Single | leaf,   | child,    | fungus, | mouse, | sheep |
| Plural | leaves, | children, | fungi,  | mice,  | sheep |



## Irregular plural forms

A man - men

A woman - women

A child - children

An ox - oxen

A mouse - mice

A louse - lice

A foot - feet

A tooth - teeth

A goose - geese

## Irregular plural forms

A person - people

One sheep – two sheep

A deer – two deer

A fish – two fish

A dozen – two dozen

A means – means

A series – two series

A species – different species

A headquarters – headquarters

A crossroads – crossroads

# Irregular nouns

## #1 -f to-ves

leaf, loaf, calf -> leaves, loaves, calves

## #2 -en

Child -> children, ox -> oxen

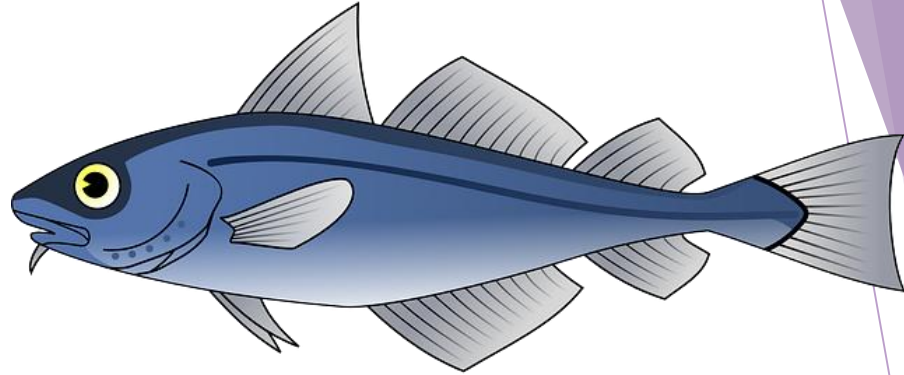


# Irregular nouns

## #3 base plurals

sheep -> sheep, fish, bison

*Species of fish are called fishes*



## #4 mutant plurals (like Germanic)

- vowel changes

foot, woman, man, tooth, goose, mouse, louse

feet, women, men, teeth, geese, mice, lice



# Irregular nouns

## #5 foreign plurals

e.g. Latin - fungus, cactus -> fungi, cacti

Latin a->ae,                      larva-> larvae (larvas)

Latin us--> i,                      fungus-> fungi (funguses)

Latin um->a,                      datum-> data

Latin ex->ices,                      index-> indices (indexes)

Greek is->es,                      thesis - > theses

Greek on->a,                      criterion, criteria



## Spelling

-s/ -sh/ -ch/ -x → **-es**

-o → **-es**

-y → **-ies**

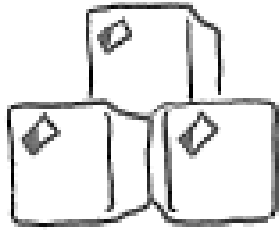
-ay/ -ey/ -oy → **-ys**

-f/ -fe → **-ves**

- Bus - bus**es**, dish - dish**es**
- church - church**es**, box - box**es**
- Potato - potato**es**
- Baby - bab**ies**, dictionary - dictionar**ies**, party - part**ies**
- Day - da**ys**, monkey - monkey**ys**, boy - bo**ys**
- Shelf - shel**ves**, leaf - lea**ves**, wife - wi**ves**

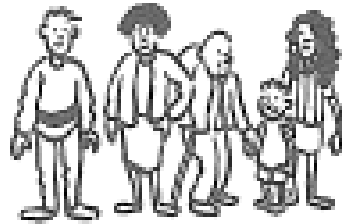
A Put in plural nouns to describe the pictures.

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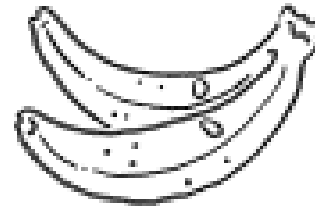
Some boxes

1



Some \_\_\_\_\_

2



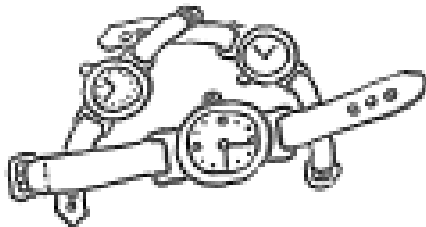
Two \_\_\_\_\_

3



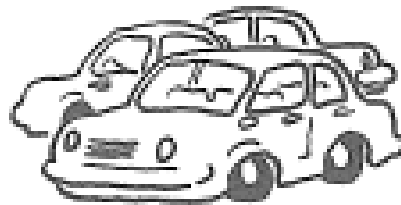
Some \_\_\_\_\_

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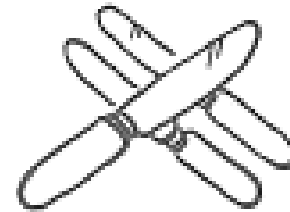
Three \_\_\_\_\_

5



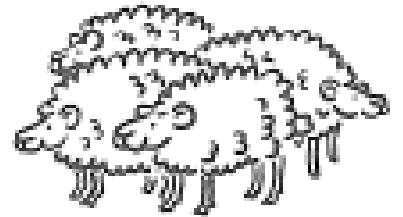
Some \_\_\_\_\_

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Some \_\_\_\_\_

7



Four \_\_\_\_\_

8



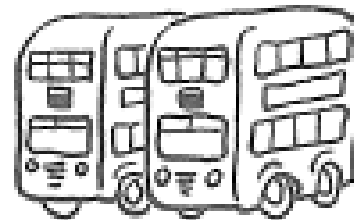
Some \_\_\_\_\_

9



Three \_\_\_\_\_

10



Two \_\_\_\_\_

11



Two \_\_\_\_\_

Exercise  
#1

## Exercise #2

B Tick (✓) the correct plural forms and cross out the wrong ones.

knives ✓

~~matches~~

countries

wishes

wives

mans

tooths

citys

potatoes

tomatos

potatos

mice

matches

cities

teeth

mouses

countrys

knifes

wishs

men

familys

wifes

tomatoes

families

# speaking / pronunciation practice

## vowel sounds

/ʊ/ - as in "book"

1. Book
2. Look
3. Cook
4. Hook
5. Took
6. Good
7. Wood
8. Foot
9. Put
10. Cushion

/u/ - as in "food"

1. Food
2. Mood
3. Boot
4. Soon
5. Blue
6. True
7. Suit
8. Flu
9. Fruit
10. Music

/o/ - as in "go"

1. Go
2. No
3. So
4. Low
5. Road
6. Close
7. Stone
8. Alone
9. Gold
10. Old

/aʊ/ - as in "house"

1. House
2. Mouse
3. Out
4. Cloud
5. Proud
6. Loud
7. Round
8. Town
9. Brown
10. Down

/ɔɪ/ - as in "boy"

1. Boy
2. Toy
3. Joy
4. Coin
5. Noise
6. Voice
7. Choice
8. Enjoy
9. Join
10. Boil

/aɪ/ - as in "bike"

1. Bike
2. Like
3. Time
4. Fine
5. Five
6. Fly
7. Night
8. High
9. Right
10. Sky

/ə/ - as in "sofa"

1. About
2. Alone
3. Among
4. Alive
5. Adore
6. Arrive
7. Aside
8. Abandon
9. Afford
10. Accuse

1. Extra
2. Cinema
3. Drama
4. Data
5. Idea
6. Mama
7. Opera
8. Banana
9. Comma
10. Drama

# listening practice

nouns

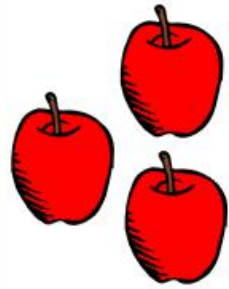
Sam Cooke - Wonderful World

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1HoVF6iv70E>

choose the correct option  
to fill the gaps, and  
complete the lyrics

# Countable and Uncountable Nouns

# countable



apples



bananas



carrots



onions



oranges



peppers



cookies



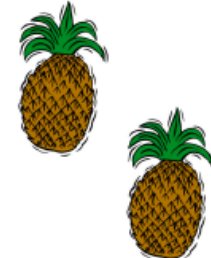
cucumbers



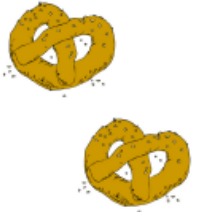
donuts



pies



pineapples



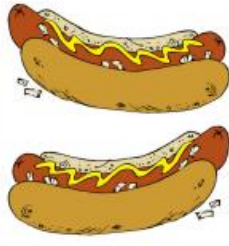
pretzels



eggs



hamburgers



hotdogs



sandwiches



strawberries



tomatoes

# uncountable

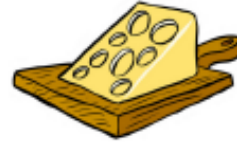
slice  
piece  
some  
glass  
carton  
box  
cup  
spoonful  
plate  
kilo  
bowl  
pinch  
jar  
plate  
bottle  
packet



bread



broccoli



cheese



meat



milk



popcorn



chocolate milk



coffee



curry



rice



salsa



salt and  
pepper



honey



jam



juice



soup



spaghetti



watermelon

# COUNTABLES



BUN



SANDWICH



APPLE



ORANGE



BURGER



FRIES



EGGS



SALAD



VEGETABLES



COOKIES



POTATOES



TOMATO



CARROT



HOT DOG



CANDIES



OLIVES



PEANUTS



PANCAKES



ONION



WATERMELON



PEA



GRAPES



CHEERIES

# UNCOUNTABLES



BREAD



FRUIT



JUICE



MEAT



RICE



CEREAL



JAM



MILK



COFFEE



SUGAR



FLOUR



OIL



SALT



SOUP



TEA



COTTAGE  
CHEESE



PASTA



HONEY



WATER



CHEESE



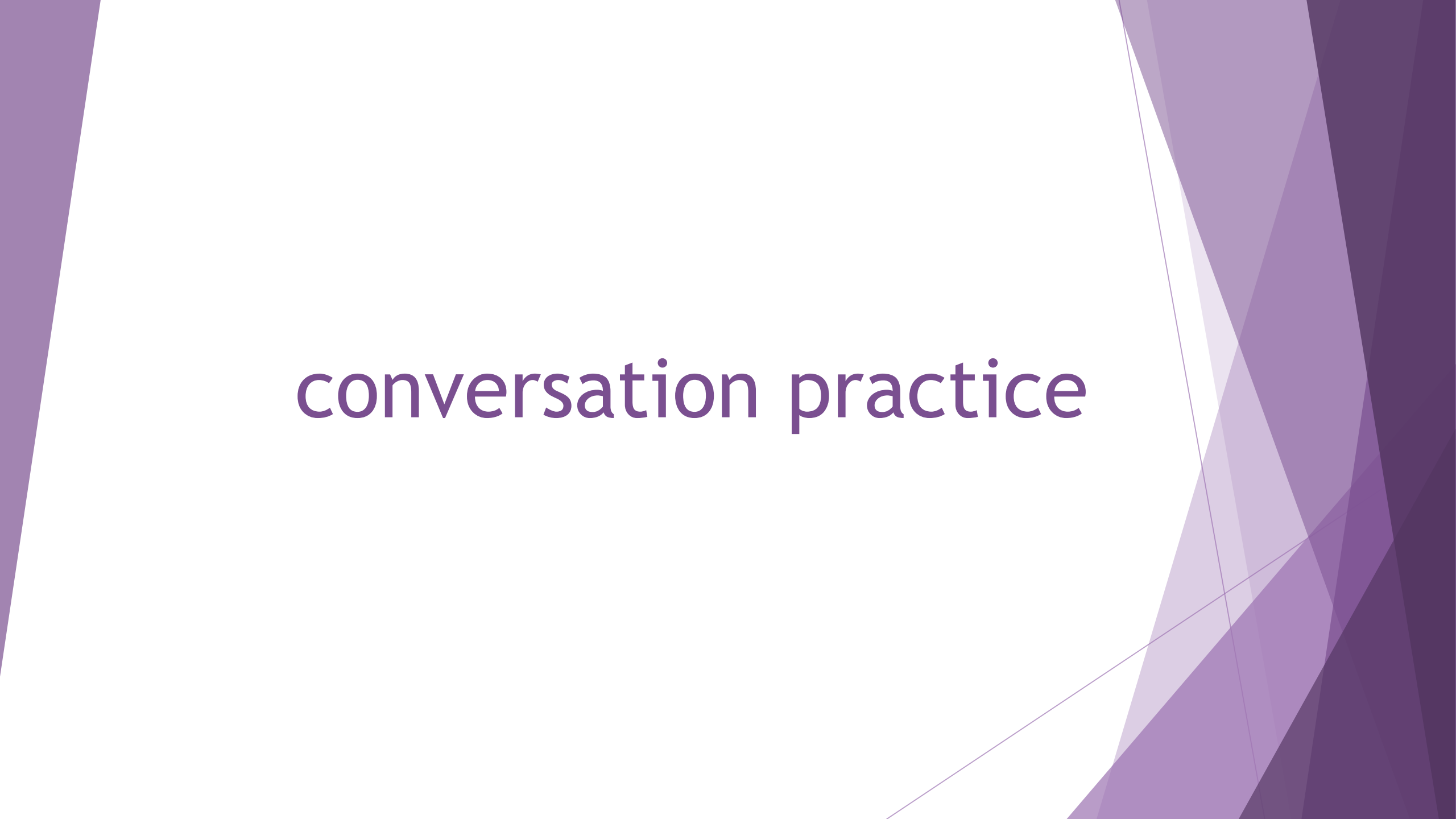
BUTTER



SEAFOOD



MUSTARD

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conversation practice

## conversation practice

### Pre-Conversation Vocabulary:

- **Countable nouns:** apple, sandwich, cookie, burger, salad
- **Uncountable nouns:** water, coffee, juice, tea, rice
- **Classifiers:** a bottle of, a cup of, a slice of, a glass of, a piece of

## conversation practice

- look at the sheets
- there is sheet A and sheet B
  - student #1 say sentences on sheet A
  - student #2 say sentences on sheet B
- in groups, practice the conversation
- continue with your own words

## coffee shop

**Student A:** Hi, I would like to order, please.

**Student B:** Sure! What would you like?

**Student A:** Can I have a cup of coffee and a slice of cake?

**Student B:** Anything else?

**Student A:** Yes, I'd like a bottle of water too.

**Student B:** Great, and for me, I will have a sandwich and a glass of juice.

**Student A:** Would you like a cookie with that?

**Student B:** No, thanks. That will be all.

## restaurant

**Student A:** Let's look at the menu. What do you feel like eating?

**Student B:** I think I'll have some rice and a salad.

**Student A:** That sounds good. I might get a burger and a piece of pie.

**Student B:** Are you going to have a drink with that?

**Student A:** Yes, I'll have a glass of water. What about you?

**Student B:** I'll have a cup of tea.



continue speaking

you are in a coffee shop or restaurant

- add your favorite food
- add your favorite food drink
- make an order

advanced

- try to use different classifiers
- include both countable and uncountable nouns

## Exercise #1

countable - a box, an apple

uncountable - some water

C In the following sentences, cross out *a/an* if it is wrong, and replace it with *some*. If it is correct, put a tick (✓).

0 Can you give me ~~an~~ some information, please?

0 I bought ~~a~~ ✓ suitcase in town this morning.

1 We need to go to the bank for ~~a~~ money.

2 I'm going to have ~~a~~ holiday in Scotland this year.

3 Can you see ~~a~~ skier on the mountain?

4 Drive carefully! There's ~~a~~ snow on the road.

5 I had ~~a~~ bad news this morning.

6 I'd like ~~a~~ petrol, please.

7 Can you give me ~~an~~ advice about the exam?

8 Shall I buy you ~~a~~ newspaper?

9 We must buy ~~a~~ bread for the weekend.

D Put one word from the box in each gap in the following dialogues.

## Exercise #2

of ~~time~~ is a (x2) some (x2) sugars

A: Are you coming to the cinema this evening?

B: No, I haven't got <sup>0</sup> time. I'm very busy at the moment.

A: Is that your brother?

B: No, my brother's much taller and his hair <sup>1</sup> is brown, not black.

A: How many <sup>2</sup> sugars do you have in your tea?

B: I don't drink tea. Could you give me a glass <sup>3</sup> of water, please?

A: Did you have <sup>4</sup> a good time last night?

B: I didn't go out. My teacher gave me <sup>5</sup> some homework to do.

A: What did your mother say to you?

B: Oh, she just gave me <sup>6</sup> a piece of advice. She told me to take  
<sup>7</sup> some money in traveller's cheques.

# uncountable nouns - can you help me?

Put a circle around the uncountable nouns below.

|               |        |        |         |         |          |             |
|---------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|----------|-------------|
| house         | cat    | cheese | car     | coat    | snow     | lemon       |
| <u>advice</u> | clock  | table  | tea     | ball    | museum   | apple       |
| painting      | petrol | news   | cigar   | teacher | film     | rain        |
| holiday       | office | bed    | pen     | sugar   | homework | watch       |
| tennis        | doctor | cinema | luggage | chair   | banana   | information |
| cup           | coffee | shoe   | shirt   | money   | exam     | hour        |
| city          | park   | toast  | sock    | nose    | water    | school      |
| bread         | book   | jumper | cloud   | milk    | bike     | television  |

# Classifiers - can you help me?

Put the correct word in the following sentences.

- |                              |                                                 |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 0 (slice, piece, cup)        | I'd like a <u>cup</u> of coffee, please.        |
| 1 (glass, slice, spoonful)   | Would you like a _____ of cheese on your toast? |
| 2 (pieces, cups, bottles)    | My father gave me two _____ of advice.          |
| 3 (slice, bottle, piece)     | Could you buy a _____ of milk at the shops?     |
| 4 (spoonful, piece, cup)     | That was a difficult _____ of homework!         |
| 5 (glass, piece, slice)      | Would you give me a _____ of water, please?     |
| 6 (slices, cups, pieces)     | How many _____ of luggage do you have?          |
| 7 (spoonfuls, glasses, cups) | I normally take three _____ of sugar in my tea. |
| 8 (pieces, slices, litres)   | I've just put forty _____ of petrol in the car. |
| 9 (piece, slice, glass)      | I need a _____ of information.                  |
| 10 (piece, kilo, slice)      | I'd like half a _____ of coffee, please.        |

# information

## one and ones

Sometimes we use **one** instead of repeating a singular noun:

*I'm going to buy a drink. Would you like **one**?*

*Our house is the **one** with the red door.*

Or, we use **ones** instead of a plural noun:

*Shall I buy the red **apples** or the green **ones**?*

*These **biscuits** are cheaper than those **ones**.*

We often use **Which one ...?** and **Which ones ...?** in questions:



Shop assistant: **Which one** would you like, the black dress or the white one?

Mary: I'd like the black one, please.

Jim: I like the black and white photographs. **Which ones** do you like? The black and white ones or the colour ones?

Susan: I prefer the colour ones.

D Put *one* or *ones* in the following dialogues.

0 A: Have you got a Compact Disc player? I bought one yesterday.

B: No, I haven't. But I think I'll buy one when I move house.

1 A: Which shoes do you like, sir? The brown \_\_\_\_\_ are leather and the black \_\_\_\_\_ are plastic.

B: I'll have the brown \_\_\_\_\_, please.

2 A: Look at these two sofas, Mary. This \_\_\_\_\_ is very expensive, but that \_\_\_\_\_ looks uncomfortable. Which \_\_\_\_\_ shall we buy?

B: We must buy the expensive \_\_\_\_\_. We need a comfortable sofa.

3 A: I want to buy a new car. I've seen \_\_\_\_\_ that I like, but it's very expensive.

B: The \_\_\_\_\_ that you like are always very expensive!

4 A: I saw two films last week.

B: Which \_\_\_\_\_?

A: 'Superman' and the new French \_\_\_\_\_. I can't remember its name.

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