

## EXPRESSION OF QUANTITY

When we talk about expressions of quantity we have two options: to use them with countable nouns and to use them with non-countable nouns.

*Examples:*

- How much wine do you want? (Non-countable)
- Just a little. (Non-countable answer)
- How many friends do you have in Ecuador? (Countable)
- I have two close friends here in Ecuador. (Countable answer)

**Note:** When using non-countable nouns in a question use “how much”.

Here are some examples of non-countable nouns.

{ sand  
milk  
money  
time

In the answer to a non-countable noun question use “there is” plus one of the following:

{ a little  
not too much  
just a little  
a lot (of)  
there isn't any

*Note:* When using countable nouns in a question use “how many”.

Here are some examples of countable nouns:

{ people  
cars  
students, etc.

In the answer to countable noun questions use “there are” with one of the following:

{ many  
a lot (of)  
plenty of  
not many

For plural count nouns answer with one of the following:

{ a few  
not too many



Complete the sentences below by filling in the blanks with the expression of quantity that best matches the sentence.

1. I do not want \_\_\_\_\_ cheese.
2. She studies \_\_\_\_\_.
3. They have \_\_\_\_\_ money in the bank.
4. We have \_\_\_\_\_ more questions to answer.
5. Peter has \_\_\_\_\_ friends at school.
6. Do you need \_\_\_\_\_ money do you need to buy that house?
7. How \_\_\_\_\_ brothers and sisters does she have?
8. Do you know how \_\_\_\_\_ people live in Canada?
9. I don't need too \_\_\_\_\_ time to finish the quiz.
10. How \_\_\_\_\_ water do you need to drink?
11. I do not have \_\_\_\_\_ friends in this country.
12. She has \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of free time.
13. I don't have \_\_\_\_\_ things to do today.
14. There is \_\_\_\_\_ water in the oceans.
15. I just need \_\_\_\_\_ eggs to make an omelet.
16. There is \_\_\_\_\_ sand in the dessert.
17. We have \_\_\_\_\_ things to do this weekend.
18. I ate too \_\_\_\_\_ at the party. I have a stomach ache.
19. How \_\_\_\_\_ are these shoes?
20. How \_\_\_\_\_ people work for your company?
21. How \_\_\_\_\_ months are there in a year?