



MUCH & MANY

1. How many books **are/is** in your bag?
Are books countable or uncountable?
2. How much water **is/are** there in your bottle?
Is water countable or uncountable?
3. How much hair **do/does** you have on your head?
Is hair countable or uncountable?

Write this on the board:

How _____ people are there in your family?

Students to answer using complete sentences:

There **are** _____ people in my family. three, four, five...
Are people countable or uncountable?

Write this on the board:

Students to answer using complete sentences:

I have ____ books.
I have ____ cousins.
There are ____ students in this school.

I have **many** books. [countable or uncountable?] Four, five... or many.
I have **many** cousins. [countable or uncountable?] Two, three... or many.
There are **many** students in this school. [countable or uncountable?]

Write this on the board:

Students to answer using complete sentences:

How ____ sugar do you eat every day?
I eat too ____ sugar every day.
How ____ water is in the dam?

How **much** sugar do you eat every day? [countable or uncountable?]
I eat too **much** sugar every day.
How **much** water is in the dam?

Much / Many Rule

When we talk about **much or many** people often speak of **countable nouns** and **uncountable nouns**.

Use **many** if the noun is countable - for example, apples, children, cars, tables, etc.

Use **much** if the noun is uncountable - for example, milk, water, coffee, sand, etc.

More examples:

I don't have **much** money.
I read **many** books during the vacation.
My brother eats too **much** chocolate.

Countable nouns can be singular or plural. When they are plural, these nouns can be used with a number and that's why they are called **countable nouns**.

Countable nouns = *many*. *[546 friends on social media]*

Uncountable nouns can only be singular. We do not use these nouns with a number and that's why they are called **uncountable nouns**.

Uncountable nouns = *much*. *[We spend too much money on a weekend]*

! Now you know we use many with countable nouns and much with uncountable nouns.!

Round Robin Questions

Ask some of your better students the following questions:

1. How **many/much** windows are there in this room?
2. How **many/much** fingers are there in this classroom?
3. How **many/much** salt do you put on your French fries?
4. How **many/much** sand is there on the beach?
5. How **many/much** trees are there in this city?
6. How **many/much** days are there before your next birthday?