



## MY JAPANESE SCHOOL FRIEND

### The School Garden

In Riko's school, learning is not just in books. Outside her classroom, there is a small garden. Riko and her friends help to plant **vegetables** like tomatoes and cucumbers. They give **water** to the plants every day. Sometimes, they see small **insects** in the soil. There are also some **chickens** in a little house nearby. Riko and her friends feed the chickens and collect the **eggs**. This work teaches them about nature and responsibility. It is hard work, but it gives them much **joy**.

### Countable & Uncountable Nouns

#### Things at Riko's School

#### Activity 1: Find the Nouns!

Read the new passage about the school garden and the main story ("My Japanese School Friend") again. Find the nouns and write them in the correct column.

Countable Nouns (We can count them: one friend, two friends)	Uncountable Nouns (We cannot count them: water, joy)

#### Activity 2: Countable or Uncountable?

Read each word. Write **(C)** for Countable or **(U)** for Uncountable next to it.

\_\_\_\_\_ friend      \_\_\_\_\_ water      \_\_\_\_\_ food      \_\_\_\_\_ teacher  
 \_\_\_\_\_ rice      \_\_\_\_\_ egg      \_\_\_\_\_ juice      \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility

#### Activity 3: Much or Many?

Complete the sentences using **much** (for uncountable nouns) or **many** (for countable nouns).

- How \_\_\_\_\_ students are in Riko's class?
- Riko gives \_\_\_\_\_ water to the plants.
- How \_\_\_\_\_ eggs do the chickens lay?
- Leo learned \_\_\_\_\_ new information about Japan.
- There are \_\_\_\_\_ vegetables in the garden.
- Riko and her friends feel \_\_\_\_\_ joy when they work together.
- How \_\_\_\_\_ time do they spend cleaning?
- Riko has \_\_\_\_\_ good friends at school.

## Teacher's Key

### Countable & Uncountable Nouns - My Japanese School Friend

#### Activity 1: Find the Nouns!

Countable Nouns (We can count them: one friend, two friends)	Uncountable Nouns (We cannot count them: water, joy)
1. friends	1. water
2. vegetables	2. food
3. tomatoes	3. rice
4. cucumbers	4. soup
5. insects	5. responsibility
6. chickens	6. joy
7. eggs	7. soil
8. books / classroom / hats / aprons / broom / windows	8. information / time

#### Activity 2: Countable or Uncountable?

1. **(C)** friend
2. **(U)** water
3. **(U)** food
4. **(C)** teacher
5. **(U)** rice
6. **(C)** egg
7. **(U)** responsibility
8. **(U)** juice

#### Activity 3: Much or Many?

1. How **many** students are in Riko's class?
2. Riko gives **much** water to the plants.
3. How **many** eggs do the chickens lay?
4. Leo learned **much** new information about Japan.
5. There are **many** vegetables in the garden.
6. Riko and her friends feel **much** joy when they work together.
7. How **much** time do they spend cleaning?
8. Riko has **many** good friends at school.