

Comparing Count and Noncount Nouns

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Part 1: Venn Diagram

Count Nouns

Count nouns are nouns that can be used in the plural.

- can be counted using numbers
- can be used as singular nouns
- can also be made plural

Nouns

Refer to:

- persons
- places
- things
- ideas or abstractions

Noncount Nouns

Noncount nouns are nouns that cannot be used in the plural.

- cannot be counted or used with number words
- usually name categories of things
- if made plural, meaning changes to "different kinds of"

Part 2: Pocket Foldable, Front Cover

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Part 2: Pocket Foldable, Inside Pockets

Definite article: the	Definite article: the
Indefinite article: a/an (singular); some (plural)	Indefinite article: some (never a/an!)
Ø article = generalization	Ø article = generalization
Count Nouns	Noncount Nouns

Part 2: Pocket Foldable, Items for Sorting

cat	dog	wood
tree	bookbag	luggage
bread	bus	computer
smiling	basketball	German
Spanish	homework	chemistry
coffee	book	chair