

A, An, The, and Some with More Non-Count Nouns

	Singular Count Noun	Plural Count Noun	Non-Count Noun	
Use <i>a, an,</i> or <i>some</i> to introduce a noun.	Get a bowl. Get an egg.	Get some eggs.	Get some meat.	
Use <i>the</i> if there is usually only one.	Turn on <i>the</i> stove. Go to <i>the</i> kitchen.			
Use <i>the</i> to talk about the same noun again.	Put oil in <i>the</i> bowl. Crack <i>the</i> egg.	Put <i>the</i> eggs in a pan	Cut <i>the</i> meat.	
More Non-Count Nouns				
beef	cheese	ketchup	oil	soy sauce
bread	chicken	mayonnaise	pepper	tuna fish
butter	cream	milk	rice	turkey
candy	garlic	mustard	salt	water
Measurement Words				
a bag of cookies	a box of cereal	a cup of rice	a loaf of bread	
a bottle of ketchup	a can of tuna fish	a jar of mayonnaise	a pound of chicken	
a slice of bread	a carton of milk	a teaspoon of oil	a scoop of icecream	



A Circle *a, an, the,* or *some* below. Then listen to the cooking show and check your answers.

Good morning everyone! Today I'm going to show you how to make soy sauce beef.



First, you need to get (1. *a/the*) big bowl.

Then, get (2. *a/some*) soy sauce. You need about three tablespoons.

Then put (3. *a/the*) soy sauce in (4. *a/the*) bowl.

Now peel (5. *a/some*) garlic and (6. *an/the*) onion.

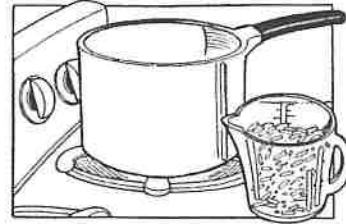
Chop up (7. *a/the*) garlic and (8. *an/the*) onion and put them in (9. *a/the*) bowl with (10. *a/the/some*) soy sauce.

Now get (11. *a/some*) meat. Cut (12. *a/the*) meat into small pieces and put it in (13. *a/the*) bowl.

Then get (14. *a/some*) frying pan and put (15. *a/some*) oil in it.

Turn on the stove. When (16. *an/the*) oil is hot, put (17. *a/the*) meat in (18. *a/the*) frying pan. Then fry (19. *a/the*) meat for just a few minutes and your soy sauce beef is ready!

B Here is a recipe for rice. Circle the count nouns. Underline the non-count nouns. Then complete the sentences with *a*, *the*, or *some*.



1. Get some rice.
2. Then measure cup of rice.
3. Put rice in pot.
4. Add water to pot. You need about two cups of water.
5. Add salt. You can add butter if you want.
6. Turn on the stove. Heat rice and water.
7. When the water begins to boil, cover pot and lower the heat.
8. Wait about twenty minutes. Then uncover pot, get plate and fork and enjoy your rice.

C Tina and her five-year old son, Nicky, are in the kitchen. Nicky is putting away their groceries. Complete the sentences with *a*, *the*, or *some*.

Tina: Nicky, could you put the groceries away?

Nicky: OK, Mommy. Here's a carton of milk.

Tina: Put the milk in the refrigerator.

Nicky: Here's bottle of ketchup.

Tina: Could you put ketchup in the refrigerator, too?

Nicky: Sure. Here's bread. Can I have slice of bread now?

Tina: O.K. And then put bread on the counter.

Nicky: And here are cans of tuna fish.

Tina: Please put them next to bread.

Nicky: Oh look! There's bag of chocolate chip cookies in here! Can I open it?

Tina: No, Nicky! cookies are for my meeting tomorrow. Put them away!

Nicky: Aw... that's not fair!

Tina: I have an idea. How about ice cream?

Nicky: Really? What kind do we have?

D Write a measurement phrase in front of each noun. More than one answer is possible. Then put a check ✓ next to the things you have in your kitchen.

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| ✓ 1. <u>a bottle of</u> ketchup | 5. soy sauce |
| 2. soup | 6. turkey |
| 3. crackers | 7. mustard |
| 4. sugar | 8. bread |