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Countable and Uncountable Nouns: Quantifiers and Meaning Shifts

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1. Your new college roommate is texting you about moving in, but their grammar is a bit chaotic! Select ALL the text messages that are grammatically correct.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** I have way too much furniture for this tiny dorm room!
- **B)** I have way too many furnitures for this tiny dorm room!
- **C)** Can you give me some advice about the best dining halls?
- **D)** I need an information about the campus Wi-Fi password.

2. Complete the stressed college student's email to their academic advisor by choosing the correct word for each blank.

The professor gave me some excellent _____ on my essay. She noted that my _____ was solid, but I needed to cite a few more _____ to properly back up my arguments.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** advice
- **B)** advices
- **C)** tip

Blank 2

- **A)** research
- **B)** researches
- **C)** study

Blank 3

- **A)** sources
- **B)** source
- **C)** informations

3. Complete the senior student's slightly dramatic mentoring speech to a freshman.

Let me give you _____ before you take Professor Smith's notoriously difficult physics exam.

Select one.

- **A)** an advice
- **B)** some advices
- **C)** a few advices
- **D)** a piece of advice

4. Help the clumsy detective write an accurate crime scene report. Select ALL the grammatically correct observations from his notebook.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** I found a glass on the carpet.
- **B)** There was broken glass near the window.
- **C)** I found single blonde hair on the victim's jacket.
- **D)** I need a paper to write down my notes.

5. Help the frustrated traveler explain why the road trip packing is failing.

We can't fit the giant inflatable flamingo in the trunk because there just isn't enough _____!

Select one.

- **A)** rooms
- **B)** a room
- **C)** room
- **D)** the room

6. Help the stressed roommate complete their frantic moving-day text message by selecting the correct word for each gap.

"We definitely have too much _____ to fit in this tiny van! I really need some good _____ on how to pack the television safely. Also, please tell me you secured all the expensive recording _____ before we hit that huge pothole!"

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** furniture
- **B)** furnitures
- **C)** a furniture

Blank 2

- **A)** advice
- **B)** advices
- **C)** an advice

Blank 3

- **A)** equipment
- **B)** equipments
- **C)** an equipment

7. Help the spaceship captain log the emergency damage report by choosing the correct term for each blank.

We sustained a huge _____ of damage to the outer hull, and we have very few _____ left to fix it. We will need to use _____ energy in the living quarters until we reach the starbase.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** amount
- **B)** number
- **C)** quantities

Blank 2

- **A)** tools
- **B)** equipments
- **C)** machinery

Blank 3

- **A)** less
- **B)** fewer
- **C)** few

8. Complete the disgruntled food critic's dramatic restaurant review by choosing the best word for each gap.

"I sat down and wanted to read the morning news, but the cafe didn't have _____. Next, I noticed the table was made of cheap, tinted _____ that looked terribly outdated. To top off this miserable experience, I found _____ floating right in the middle of my soup!"

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** a paper
- **B)** paper
- **C)** some paper

Blank 2

- **A)** glass
- **B)** a glass
- **C)** glasses

Blank 3

- **A)** a hair
- **B)** hair
- **C)** hairs

9. An alien tourist is leaving a Yelp review for planet Earth. Select ALL the sentences from their review that use quantifiers correctly.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** I abducted fewer cows than I originally planned.
- **B)** Earth has a massive amount of water on its surface.
- **C)** There is too many traffic in the major cities.
- **D)** I had a little problems parking my spaceship.

10. Help Dr. Boom complete his latest (and highly questionable) laboratory log by selecting the correct quantifiers.

"Note to self: Next time, use _____ drops of the glowing green liquid. The resulting explosion caused a massive _____ of damage to the laboratory ceiling. Fortunately, we don't have _____ explaining to do, since the boss is currently on vacation."

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** fewer
- **B)** less
- **C)** lesser

Blank 2

- **A)** amount
- **B)** number
- **C)** few

Blank 3

- **A)** much
- **B)** many
- **C)** several

11. Select the right phrase to complete the bold job applicant's cover letter.

Although I don't have _____ in crocodile wrestling, I am a very fast learner and I have a great attitude!

Select one.

- **A)** many experiences
- **B)** much experience
- **C)** an experience
- **D)** a few experiences

12. Help the dramatic food critic finish their scathing restaurant review by choosing the correct word for each blank.

I ordered two _____ for us, but the waiter said they didn't have any _____ left. To make matters worse, I found a single, curly _____ floating right in the middle of my soup!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** coffees
- **B)** coffee
- **C)** caffeine

Blank 2

- **A)** milk
- **B)** milks
- **C)** creams

Blank 3

- **A)** hair
- **B)** hairs
- **C)** fur