

## WORKSHEET 1

**Some exercises will require you to work with a good dictionary (preferably a monolingual one). You are expected to know all new vocabulary and supply examples.**

*1. Are the following nouns concrete or abstract, countable or uncountable? Write a short sentence which makes it clear how to use these words:*

1. sailor
2. grass
3. chair
4. brick
5. chicken
6. cake
7. stone
8. gossip
9. warmth
10. homework

*2. Are the following sentences right or wrong? Correct the wrong ones:*

1. The camping is very popular in the States.
2. No, thanks. I don't like cake.
3. She was a beauty in her youth.
4. I will give you my address. Do you have a paper?
5. What are you fond of? – I like the music and dancing.
6. She will give a talk on a Chinese art.
7. That's foolish talk.
8. (In a restaurant) Three beers, please.
9. How many luggages have you got? – Just this two bags.
10. I asked the doctor for an advice.
11. I had a strange experience the other day while I was going home late at night.
12. I have no informations concerning the meeting.

*3. Use the following words in sentences illustrating their countable and uncountable usage:*

1. experience C = \_\_\_\_\_  
U = \_\_\_\_\_
2. hair C = \_\_\_\_\_  
U = \_\_\_\_\_

3. chocolate C = \_\_\_\_\_  
U = \_\_\_\_\_

4. time C = \_\_\_\_\_  
U = \_\_\_\_\_

4. *Fill in the nouns that collocate (=are typically used) with the following 'partitives':*

1. a speck of \_\_\_\_\_
2. a sip of \_\_\_\_\_
3. a flash of \_\_\_\_\_
4. a burst of \_\_\_\_\_
5. a fit of \_\_\_\_\_
6. a jar of \_\_\_\_\_
7. a pinch of \_\_\_\_\_
8. a wisp of \_\_\_\_\_
9. a mug of \_\_\_\_\_
10. a drop of \_\_\_\_\_
11. a pile of \_\_\_\_\_
12. a dash of \_\_\_\_\_
13. a spoonful of \_\_\_\_\_
14. a bar of \_\_\_\_\_

5. *Fill in the appropriate 'partitives':*

1. a \_\_\_\_\_ of cattle
2. a \_\_\_\_\_ of sugar
3. a \_\_\_\_\_ of rice / sand
4. a \_\_\_\_\_ of sheep
5. a \_\_\_\_\_ of scissors
6. an \_\_\_\_\_ of truth
7. a \_\_\_\_\_ of grass
8. a \_\_\_\_\_ of thunder
9. a \_\_\_\_\_ of luck
10. a \_\_\_\_\_ of sleep
11. a \_\_\_\_\_ of bees
12. a \_\_\_\_\_ of keys
13. a \_\_\_\_\_ of insect
14. a \_\_\_\_\_ of calm