

Quantity – some, any; many, much, few, little, enough, etc.

1. Some vs. any – complete the sentences:

1. Do you have _____ information about the project? – No, I don't.
2. There isn't _____ coffee left. Can you buy _____ when you go to the supermarket?
3. I can't join you today. I have to finish _____ work.
4. Can I borrow one of these pens? – Yes, take _____.
5. When can I come to see you tomorrow? - _____ time. I'll be home all day.
6. Do you need _____ help? – Yes, please. The box is quite heavy.
7. There is _____ milk in the fridge, but there aren't _____ eggs.
8. _____ people love sports, others don't.
9. I'm thirsty. Can I have _____ water, please?
10. The seats aren't reserved. You can have _____ seat you like.
11. I'm hungry. Are there _____ sandwiches left?
12. I can speak _____ German, but not very much.
13. Are there _____ good restaurants in the centre?
14. There aren't _____ any shops near the school.
15. If you have _____ problems, contact me by email.

2. Match the sentences:

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B

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| 1. He has few friends, | a) so hopefully someone will help him. |
| 2. He has a few friends, | b) so he feels lonely. |
| 3. Jenny made a little progress, so she | a) was a bit disappointed with the course. |
| 4. Jenny made little progress, so she | b) decided to continue with the course. |
| 5. We have little time, | a) so we can't have coffee now. |
| 6. We have a little time, | b) so we don't need to hurry. |

3. Complete the sentences: **a lot of, many, much, a few, a little, little, enough, too much, etc:**

1. I feel really tired. I haven't got _____ energy.
2. I am going away for two days, so I don't need to take too _____ things.

3. You'd better hurry. Your bus leaves in _____ minutes.
4. I don't think I can lift this box on my own. I need _____ help.
5. I can speak _____ words of Swedish, but I'm not very fluent.
6. The town is quite small, so it doesn't have _____ sights.
7. He has put on some weight because he eats _____ sugar.
8. In a small village like this there is not _____ entertainment.
9. How _____ eggs do you need for the cake? – I don't know, I will check the recipe.
10. I can't buy such things. I haven't got as _____ money as you.
11. How _____ coffee / How _____ cups of coffee do you drink a day?
12. We have to hurry. There's very _____ time.
13. I'm exhausted. There's so _____ work to do these days.
14. How _____ people do we expect? Do we have _____ food? – I hope so.
15. The soup is bland. It needs _____ salt.
16. I don't have the essay. I didn't have _____ time to finish it.

4. *Choose the correct alternative; more than one option can be correct:*

1. She is quite popular, so she has *many/a lot of/ lots of* friends.
2. He is so busy that he has *little/a little/any* time for his hobbies.
3. Would you mind waiting *a few / a little / few / little* minutes?
4. Do you eat *much / a lot of / many* fruit?
5. Don't hurry. You have as *much / many / enough* time as you need.

5. *Correct the mistakes in the following sentences. Some sentences are correct:*

1. Some of food makes me ill, for example various kinds of seafood.
2. We tried several car parks but they were all full.
3. Would you like milk in your coffee? – Yes, a little, please.
4. We don't have no bread. Can you buy any?
5. I don't know what to do. I will be grateful for any help.
6. The soup is too thick. Add little water.
7. How much time do you need? – Just few minutes.
8. Do you speak German? – Just little.

Answers

Ex. 1

1. any
2. any; some
3. some
4. any
5. Anytime
6. some
7. some; any
8. some
9. some
10. any
11. any
12. some
13. any
14. any
15. any

Ex. 2

1b 2a 3a 4b 5a 6b

Ex. 3

1. much or a lot of
2. many
3. a few
4. a little (also *some* is possible here)
5. a few
6. many or a lot of
7. too much or a lot of
8. much or a lot of
9. many
10. much
11. much coffee; many cups
12. little
13. much
14. many; enough
15. a little
16. enough

ex. 4

1. many, a lot of, lots of
2. little
3. a few
4. much, a lot of
5. much

ex. 5

1. some food
2. OK
3. OK
4. We don't have any bread. *or* We have no bread. ; Can you buy some?
5. OK
6. a little water
7. a few minutes
8. a little