COUNTABLE NOUNS, UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS AND NOODLE MONSTERS

Bilingual English Language Instruction IES Vega de Atarfe, Granada





COUNTABLE NOUNS CAN BE PHYSICALLY COUNTED

3,685 noodles



HOW MANY CHOPSTICKS DO YOU SEE?



How much sauce do you see?

How many types of sauce do you see?







UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS CANNOT BE COUNTED

Water



BROTH



INFORMATION



More Uncountable Noun Examples



Pre-Activity

- 1. Individually, on a piece of scrap paper, choose the correct indefinite pronoun.
- a. We need some/any noodles for dinner tonight.
- b. You can't exchange some/any money at that bank.
- c. We don't have some/any pork dumplings at the moment.
- d. I've been watching some/any new Spanish Netflix series to fine tune my Spanish.
- e. She always takes <u>some/any</u> brown sugar with her decaf coffee after dinner.
- f. I have seen some/any of that FX series, Portlandia.
- g. There aren't some/any snow tigers in Granada.
- h. I don't have <u>some/any</u> issue with the new rule stating that students cannot use the bathroom after the first fifteen minutes of class.

Learning with a Series!

Portlandia is an American comedy series starring two best friends, Carrie and Fred.

They live in Portland, Oregon, U.S.A..
The characters speak slowly and clearly most of the time and there are several different types of characters (religious, gothic, queer, weird etc.). For this reason, the show is an excellent method of learning American English as it appears in an array of contexts and conversations.

The show is available to stream on Prime Video, Spectrum TV, Apple TV or The Roku Channel.



Activity #1

- 1. Prepare to take notes (paper/pencil)
- 2. (a) Watch the <u>video</u>. Noodle Monster Animation (b) Write as many countable and uncountable nouns as you can.
- 3. Be prepared to share your notes.

Asking About Countable Nouns:

QUESTION: Is there a/an in the video?

RESPONSE:

Yes, there is **a/an** in the video.

No there isn't **a/an** in the video.

QUESTION: Is/Are there **some** in the video?

RESPONSE:

Yes, there is/are **some** in the video?

No, there isn't/aren't any in the video?

Asking About Uncountable Nouns:

QUESTION:

Is/Are there <u>any</u> in the video?

Is/Are there **some** in the video?

RESPONSE:

Yes, there is/are some _____ in the video.

No, there isn't/aren't any _____ in the video.

Activity #2



In pairs (10 minutes):

Create an alternative ending to the video where you mention two uncountable nouns and two countable nouns.