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# Small tests

## Countable or uncountable?

**Uncountable:** time, luggage, homework, food, gas, sunshine, rain, paint.

Note that **time**, **gas**, **rain**, and **paint** also have plural forms with a different meaning.

## ai'dentɪfaɪ ðə wɜːd 'klɑːsɪz ɪn ðiːz 'sentənsɪz

(**N**: noun, **V**: verb, **Adj**: adjective, **Adv**: adverb, **Interj**: interjection, **Det**: determiner, **Num**: numeral, **Pron**: pronoun, **Conj**: conjunction, **Prep**: preposition)

1- Gosh, we really envy you!

→ Interj, Pron Adv V Pron!

2- What a beautiful Christmas tree!

→ Pre-Det Det Adj N N

3- Tell me what happened, and I will give you what money I have.

→ V Pron Pron V, Conj Pron V V Pron Det N Pron V

4- Note that meaning is not important in this exercise. The purpose is to review the sounds by hearing them in contrast.

→ V Pron N V Adv Adj Prep Det N. Det N V to-V Det N Prep V Pron Prep N.

5- Your first three beautiful long pointed ancient blue Vietnamese steel sport sticks.

→ Det Num Num Adj Adj Adj Adj Adj N N N

## wɒt ɪz ðə 'plʊərəl fɔːm ɒv ðiːz naʊnz?

1- Boat, house, cat, wish, pitch, box, penny, spy, city, club, baby, watch, sky, hatch

→ Boats, houses, cats, wishes, pitches, boxes, pennies, spies, cities, clubs, babies, watches, skies, hatches (Those nouns have regular plurals)

2- Woman, man, child, foot, leaf, half, knife, wife, potato, thesis, focus, datum, mouse

→ Women, men, children, feet, leafs / leaves, halves / halves, knives, wives, potatoes, theses, focuses /foci, data, mice (Those nouns have irregular plurals)

3- Sheep, fish, deer, species, aircraft

→ Those nouns have the same form in the singular and the plural.

4- News, athletics, linguistics, darts, billiards

→ Those nouns have a plural form but are always singular in meaning.

5- Trousers, jeans, scissors

→ Those nouns have a plural form and are always plural in meaning.

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(For further details, visit these pages: <http://www.edufind.com/english-grammar/plural-nouns/>,  
<http://www.macmillandictionary.com/thesaurus-category/british/irregular-plurals>)

wɒt əː rɒŋ ɪn ðə 'fʊləʊɪŋ 'sentənsɪz? kə'rekt ɪt.

1- Yesterday, I **heard** a funny story. If you **had heard** it, you **must have laughed**.

Or: Yesterday, I **heard** a funny story. If you **hear** it, you **must laugh**.

2- You **have** a beautiful smile. I **love** it.

3- He **was** giving us flowers when you **came**. Did you **see** him?

4- I fly. He **flies**. She **flies**. They **flew**. No one is flying.

5- Can you **write** fast now? – No, but when I was young, I **could**.

6- Your ability may be limited. But the only way **to** test that limit is to never cease to **expand** it.

7- He already **goes** away. Why **doesn't** she try to **catch** him? **Don't** you **see** that?

kə'rekt ðə 'fʊləʊɪŋ 'freɪzɪz

1- The first two cars

2- A few of people, **or** three people

3- Some thousand characters in the first two paragraphs

4- The first few thousand volunteers

5- A lot of beautiful old bags

6- The first three nice long old blue cars

7- The very first old man in this lovely superb world

8- What a long wooden tree!