

Countable and uncountable with the same meaning pelmanism

Instructions for teachers

Cut up one pack of cards per group of two to four students. Each group spreads their pack of cards across the table and matches up pairs of words with similar meanings. When they have nearly finished, elicit that each pair has one word that is countable and one that is uncountable, and ask students to divide the pairs into those groups and use them to help them check their answers. Give out extra copies of the worksheet for them to check their answers with. They can then play a game of pelmanism with the same cards for practice.

Uncountable	Countable	Uncountable	Countable
violence	attack	advice	recommendation
assistance/ help	favour	bad publicity	scandal
body language	gesture	housework	chore
courage	heroic act	darkness	shadow
data	figure/ statistic	education	qualification
equipment	gadget	evidence	clue
food	dish/ ingredient	humour	joke
free time	day off	homework	assignment
humour	joke	jargon	technical term
knowledge	fact	vocabulary	word
work	job	magic	(magic) spell
mail/ post	letter	peace	truce
progress	improvement	scenery	view
software	program/ app	travel	journey/ trip
stuff	thing	surf	wave
training	course/ workshop	transport(ation)	vehicle
equipment	tool/ gadget	trouble	problem/ issue