

English Vocabulary: very/much/many

1) **very** (used with an adjective)

The word '**very**' is used to **emphasize** an **adjective**.

- He is **very intelligent**.
- I am **very hungry**.
- This test is **very difficult**.
- It is **very cold** today.

2) **much** (used with uncountable nouns)

The word '**much**' is used to describe a **large quantity**.

- He has **much money** in the bank.
- I eat **much rice** every day.
- There is **much rain** in São Paulo.

3) **many** (used with countable nouns)

The word '**many**' is used to describe a **large number of things**.

- He has **many books**. He is a lawyer.
- I have **many problems**. I am very busy.
- There are **many cars** in São Paulo.

Exercise 1. Complete with 'very', 'much' or 'many'.

- 1) I drink _____ water. It's healthy.
- 2) Maria is a _____ beautiful woman.
- 3) Robert speaks _____ languages.
- 4) I drink _____ alcohol. My doctor says that I must stop.
- 5) He is a _____ strong man.
- 6) He eats _____ hamburgers.
- 7) His car is _____ big.
- 8) She has a _____ handsome son.
- 9) There are _____ bicycles in China.
- 10) My car is _____ fast, but my wife's car is _____ slow.

4) **A lot of** (an universal option for 'much' or 'many')

- He has **a lot of money** in the bank.
- I eat **a lot of rice** every day.
- There is **a lot of rain** in São Paulo.
- He has **a lot of books**. He is a lawyer.
- I have **a lot of problems**. I am very busy.
- There are **a lot of cars** in São Paulo.

Exercise 2. Redo Exercise 1 using 'very' or 'a lot of'.

- 1) I drink _____ water. It's healthy.
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