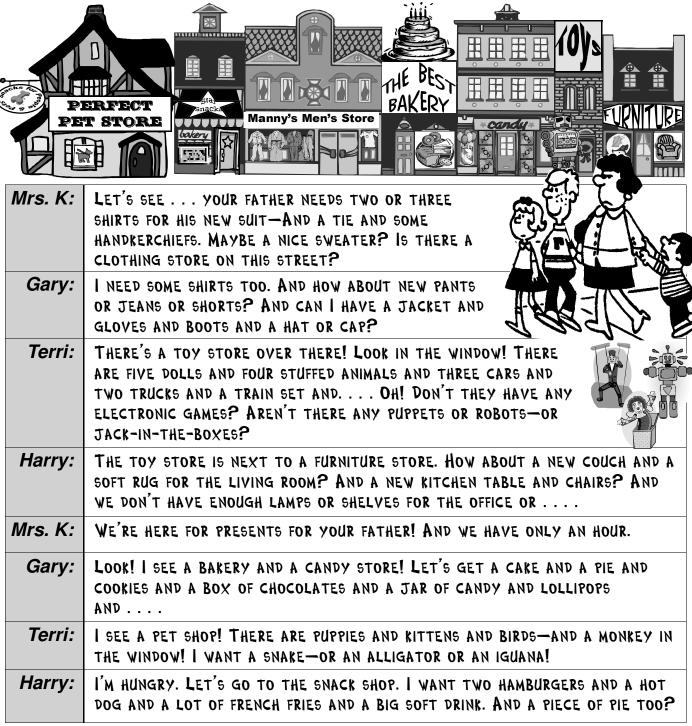


Countable Nouns: Singular & Plural

Mrs. Kaufman is shopping for Father's Day presents for her husband. She's with their three children—Gary, Terri, and Harry.



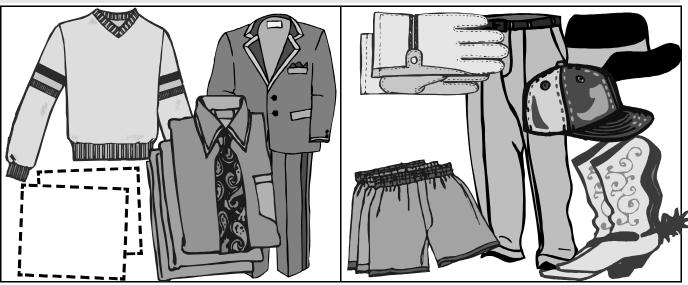




11- Match the answers to the questions about the scenario: Shopping on page 141. Write the letters ah in the spaces.

1. What is Mrs. Kaufman a. Electronic games, dolls, stuffed [c animals, cars, and train sets. shopping for? 2. What clothes does her 1 b. Mrs. Kaufman's son. And he husband need or want? wants gloves too. 3. Who wants jeans and boots [1 c. Presents for her husband. It's and a jacket and a hat? almost Father's Day. 4. Which things are toys?] d. Dogs, cats, birds, fish, monkeys, What do toy stores have? snakes, lizards, and more.] e. Because they're hungry for 5. What's at a furniture store? hamburgers, hot dogs, or What do people buy there? 6. Where do they sell cakes 1 f. At a bakery. And candy stores sell ſ and pies and cookies? chocolates, lollipops, and so on. 7. Which animals can be 1 q. Two or three shirts, a tie, and ſ pets? maybe a sweater. 8. Why do shoppers go to] h. Couches, tables and chairs, rugs,

11-B On the lines, write words for the pictures. The words are in the Scenario: Shopping.

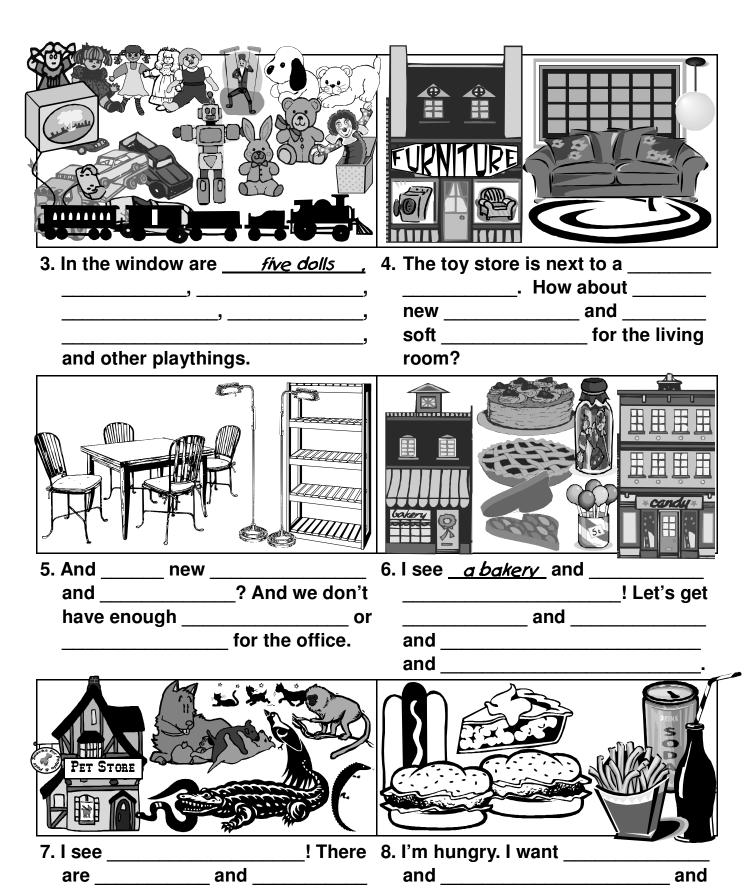


. Your father needs two or three	2. Mrs. Kaufman's son wants new
, some,	and
, and maybe	and and
nice	and



snack shops?

lamps, shelves, beds, etc.



and ____and ___and __and ___and ___and ___and ___and ___and ___and __and ___and __and ___and ___and __and __a

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COUNTABLE NOUNS IN SENTENCES

Words for people, places, and things can be COUNTABLE NOUNS. This means English speakers can count these words or phrases with numbers—1, 2, 3, 50, 100,



AS SENTENCE SUBJECTS, A SINGULAR NOUN GOES WITH A SINGULAR VERB. PLURAL SUBJECTS GO WITH PLURAL VERBS.

SINGULAR AND PLURAL COUNTABLE NOUNS CAN FOLLOW THE VERB BE—OR THEY CAN BE OBJECTS OF VERBS OR PREPOSITIONS.

	THERE IS / ARE	SUBJECT	VERB	ADJECTIVE AND/OR NOUN	ADVERB
SINGULAR	There's There's	a pet store an alligator			on this street. in the window.
SENTENCE		A shop	is	a small store.	
SUBJECT		A toy store	carries	games.	
& VERB		A family A bakery	needs doesn't have	some items any lollipops.	for the home.
PLURAL	There are There are				in the window. on the 2nd floor.
SENTENCE		People	are shopping		for presents.
SUBJECT		Shoppers Children	aren't buying usually want	cars or trucks soft drinks.	this week.
& VERB		Mothers Fathers	don't buy don't like	cakes iguanas	very often. as pets.

*Grammar: A Singular Noun Phrase

Before an indefinite (unidentified) singular noun, use the word a or an—for example, a tie, an elephant.

After the word this or that or the—or a possessive noun or adjective, a singular noun is specific or identified—for example: your father, this street, the shop over there.

**Chapter 14 is about the differences between indefinite and definite nouns.

*Pronunciation: A/AN

The word a or an means "one." Does the next word in an indefinite singular noun phrase begin with a vowel sound? Then use an. Use a before an unidentified singular noun phrase with a consonant sound at the beginning. Pronounce the words /ən/or/ə/. EXAMPLES:

AN BEFORE VOWEL SOUNDS		A BEFORE CONSONANT SOUNDS		
an animal an egg an electronic game	an orange an umbrella	a toy store	a bakery a new shirt a car a train set	

**Use an before a vowel sound, even if the first letter is a silent consonant—for example: an hour. Use a before a consonant sound, even if the first letter is a vowel—as in a uniform a European suit.



111 In the Scenario on page 141, circle the singular countable noun phrases. **EXAMPLES:**

YOUR FATHER NEEDS TWO OR THREE SHIRTS FOR HIS NEW SUIT AND & TIE AND HANDKERCHIEFS.

MAYBE & NICE SWEATERS IS THERE & CLOTHING STORES ON THIS STREED?

11-D VOCABULARY: SINGULAR COUNTABLE NOUNS.

Here are singular words for things in stores. Use them and your own words with the sentence parts on the next page for conversations about shopping. Add mostly singular countable nouns with a or an.

**Include adjectives and nounadjectives in your noun phrases.

**Vocabulary: Adjectives in a Noun Phrase

Between the word a or an and a singular countable noun, a noun phrase can have one or more adjectives—for example, a nice (weater), a stuffed animal), a big soft (drink).

Another noun (without an added ending) can be an adjective too. Some examples are a toy store, a train set) a new kitchen table.

CLOTHING, ETC.	PLAYTHINGS, ETC.	FURNITURE, ETC.	BAKED GOODS, SWEETS	OTHER FOODS, SNACKS	PETS
dress skirt blouse apron** belt** shirt sweatshirt T-shirt suit blazer** vest** tie sweater jacket parka** coat scarf** hat cap wallet	toy chest** doll stuffed animal game puzzle** kite** doll house wagon** tricycle** bicycle / bike scooter** car / truck airplane ball / bat top** yo-yo** swing** sandbox** crib** playpen**	couch / sofa armchair** carpet / rug coffee table** end table** kitchen table dining room table desk bookcase refrigerator stove / range dishwasher washer / drier** oven bed / mattress** pillow / blanket dresser** chest of drawers**	cake pie cookie pastry / sweet roll** muffin** cupcake** brownie** pretzel** doughnut** ice cream cone** ice cream sundae** ice cream soda** milk shake** popsicle** candy bar** lollipop** candied	apple pear orange banana peach** plum** cantaloupe** melon** pineapple** coconut** papaya** mango** hamburger cheeseburger hot dog corn dog** sandwich bagel** taco** burrito**	horse / pony dog / puppy cat / kitten monkey rabbit hamster** gerbil** guinea pig** mouse / rat** snake frog / toad** insect tarantula** bird parrot** ostrich** alligator** iguana** lizard** fish**
purse umbrella	stroller / walker**	lamp / light** iron**	apple**	falafel** soft drink	turtle** eel**

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