

CONVERSATION

Listen and practice.

JENNY: You're doing a good job, Marty.

MARTY: Thanks, Jenny. Can you give me a little help?

JENNY: Sure. Do you have another brush?



MARTY: Yes. Here's a brush and a bucket of paint.

JENNY: Marty, there's only a little paint left in the bucket.



MARTY: Don't worry. There's more paint in the wagon.

JENNY: What else do you have in the wagon?

MARTY: Just some old comic books.

JENNY: Can I borrow a few of your comic books?

MARTY: OK, but take only a few. I don't have very many.



JENNY: Gee, these are really good! I like this story about Superman.

MARTY: Jenny, are you going to help me or not?

JENNY: Sure, but I can stay only a few more minutes. My mother is waiting for me.



PRACTICE • Describe these pictures using *a lot of*, *only a little*, and *only a few*.



1. letters/mail box
There are **a lot of letters** in the mail box.



2. gas/tank
There's **only a little** gas in the tank.



3. cars/parking lot
There are **only a few** cars in the parking lot.



4. books/bookcase



5. coffee/pot



6. salad/bowl



7. apples/box



8. orange juice/bottle



9. cherries/dish



10. lemonade/pitcher



11. ice cream/carton



12. people/restaurant

PAIR WORK • Ask and answer questions about the pictures.

1. letters/mail box
A: **How many letters are in the mail box?**
B: **A lot.**

2. gas/tank
A: **How much gas is in the tank?**
B: **Just a little.**

3. cars/parking lot
A: **How many cars are in the parking lot?**
B: **Just a few.**

REVIEW SECTION
READING



Mr. Bascomb is a good musician. He can play the piano and the violin. He loves classical music and plays a lot of compositions by Mozart. On Saturday afternoons, he practices with his friends. They play well together, but they don't have much time for their music. They're all busy people. At the moment, Mrs. Bascomb is serving them tea and cookies.

"Do you want a little milk with your tea, Dr. Pasto?"

"Yes, please, Mrs. Bascomb."

"How many times are you going to play the same music?"

"We're going to play it a lot," says Mr. Bascomb. "Practice makes perfect."

Mrs. Bascomb has an unhappy look on her face. "Why don't you play something different?"

"Good idea," says Dr. Pasto. "How about a little jazz?"

"I don't care much for jazz," says Mr. Bascomb. "But it's better than rock. Anything's better than rock."

"Don't be a snob, dear," says Mrs. Bascomb.

Dr. Pasto smiles. "In my opinion, there are only two kinds of music — good music and bad music."

"I agree," says Mr. Bascomb. "Classical music is good — and everything else is bad."

STORY QUESTIONS

1. Is Mr. Bascomb a good musician?
2. What instruments can he play?
3. What kind of music does he like?
4. What does Mr. Bascomb do on Saturday afternoons?
5. Do Mr. Bascomb and his friends have much time for their music? Why not?
6. What is Mrs. Bascomb serving them? *1 cat cook*
7. Why is she unhappy?
8. Do you think Mr. Bascomb is a snob? Why?
9. What is Dr. Pasto's opinion about music?
10. What does Mr. Bascomb say?
11. What do you think?

PRACTICE • Describe what's in the refrigerator using *a lot of*, *only a little*, and *only a few*.

milk

There's a lot of milk in the refrigerator.

orange juice

There's only a little orange juice in the refrigerator.

carrots

There are only a few carrots in the refrigerator.

1. ham
2. tomatoes
3. cake
4. ice cream
5. apples
6. pears
7. eggs
8. butter



FREE RESPONSE

1. What do you have in your refrigerator?
2. How often do you go to the market?
3. Do you always make a shopping list?
4. What kind of food do you like?
5. Do you eat much fruit? vegetables?
6. What do you usually have for breakfast?
7. What kind of desserts do you like?
8. How often do you eat out?
9. What's your favorite restaurant?

GROUP WORK • You and your friends have thirty dollars to buy some food for dinner. What kind of food are you going to buy? Talk about it and make a shopping list.

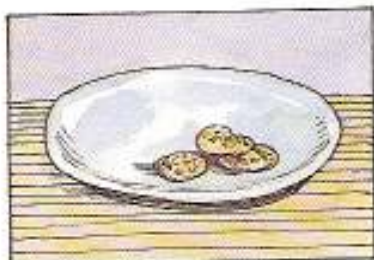
PRACTICE • Make a sentence for each picture using *a lot of*, *much*, and *many*.



1. people/bus stop
There are a lot of people at the bus stop.



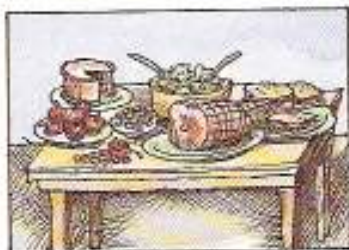
2. money/cash register
There isn't much money in the cash register.



3. cookies/plate
There aren't many cookies on the plate.



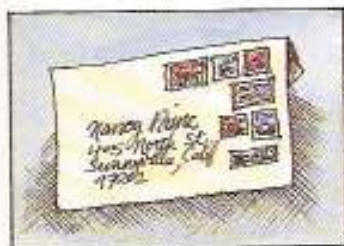
4. mustard/jar



5. food/table



6. people/party



7. stamps/envelope



8. eggs/basket



9. soup/pot



10. people/meeting



11. magazines/desk



12. perfume/bottle

PAIR WORK • Ask and answer questions about the pictures.

1. people/bus stop
A: How many people are at the bus stop?
B: A lot.

2. money/cash register
A: How much money is in the cash register?
B: Just a little.

3. cookies/plate
A: How many cookies are on the plate?
B: Just a few.