

CHUYÊN ĐỀ 9: TỪ ĐỊNH LƯỢNG (QUANTIFIER)

- Từ định lượng là những từ dùng để đề cập đến số lượng
- Một số từ và cụm từ chỉ số lượng lớn và nhỏ là:

Quantitative words	Meaning
a lot of / lots of	nhiều
a great deal of	nhiều
a large amount of	nhiều
a few	một ít
few	ít
a little	một ít
little	ít
many	nhiều
much	nhiều

1. A lot of / lots of, many và much

Những từ này đề cập đến số lượng lớn:

- *A lot of* và *lots of* được dùng với danh từ số nhiều hoặc danh từ không đếm được trong câu xác định.

Ví dụ:

- There are a lot of bananas in the fridge.
- Learning a foreign language needs lots of time.

- *Many* được dùng với danh từ số nhiều và *much* dùng trước danh từ không đếm được

Ví dụ:

- I do not have many French books.
- Schools leavers do not give much thought to the jobs of their choice.

- *Many* và *Much* cũng có thể được dùng sau các từ *very*, *so*, *too*, *as* và *how* trong câu xác định, câu phủ định và câu hỏi.

- She put too much salt in the soup.
- He made so many mistakes in his writing.
- How much of the roof needs repairing?
- How many students are there in your class?

- *A great deal of / a large amount of* được dùng với danh từ không đếm được

Ví dụ: A great deal of learners' attention should be paid to the uses of English tenses.

A large number of được dùng với danh từ số nhiều

Ví dụ: A large number of rare animals disappear nowadays.

2. A few, few, a little và little

A few và *a little* đề cập đến số lượng nhỏ. Những từ này được dùng chủ yếu trong câu xác định. *A few* được dùng trước danh từ số nhiều và *a little* dùng trước danh từ không đếm được.

Ví dụ:

- There are a few students in the room.
- There is a little sugar in the jar.
- *Few* và *little* mang nghĩa phủ định

Ví dụ:

- I feel sorry for her. She has few friends. (She has almost no friend)
(Tôi thấy đáng tiếc cho cô ấy. Cô ấy hầu như không có bạn bè.)
- I have little money. I don't even have enough money to buy food for dinner.
(I have almost no money)
(Tôi cạn túi rồi. Thậm chí tôi không còn đủ tiền để mua thức ăn tối nữa)

BÀI TẬP VẬN DỤNG

Exercise 1: Complete the sentences with *some* or *any*.

1. We didn't buy _____ flowers.
2. This evening I'm going out with _____ friends of mine.
3. I didn't have _____ money, so I had to borrow
4. Can I have _____ milk on my coffee, please?
5. I was too tired to do _____ work.
6. Have you seen _____ good films recently?
7. Can you give me _____ information about places of interest in the town?
8. With the special tourist train ticket, you can travel on _____ train you like.
9. If there are _____ words you don't understand, use a dictionary.
10. She went out without _____ money.

Exercise 2: Complete the conversation. Put in *many* or *much*.

- Matthew: There are (1) _____ athletes taking part in the International Games in London. There's been (2) _____ coverage in the papers.
- Daniel: Our runners haven't won (3) _____ medals, have they?
- Matthew: No, not as (4) _____ as last time. But there is plenty of time. There are still (5) _____ events to come. I'd like to go and see some of the track events, but I haven't got (6) _____ time at the moment.
- Daniel: No, not with exams coming up. We're having so (7) _____ lessons to study. There is still having so (8) _____ work to prioritize.
- Matthew: I'm hoping to go at the weekend if I can get a ticket. Apparently there aren't (9) _____ seats left.
- Daniel: I've heard the cheapest tickets are \$25, I think that's too (10) _____

Exercise 3: Put in *a few*, *few*, *a little* or *little*.

1. I don't think I can lift this box on my own. I need _____ help.
2. _____ tourists visited Northern Ireland in the 1980s because of the terrorism there.
3. The postman doesn't often come here. We receive _____ letters.
4. The snow was quite deep. There seemed _____ hope of completing our journey.
5. Trevor doesn't find it easy to fix the shelves. He's having _____ trouble.
6. Very _____ people knew about it, just you and me.
7. The forces were unequal, they were many, we were _____
8. Much heard about the book, but _____ read it.
9. He is a man of _____ words
10. I could speak _____ Swedish, but I wasn't very fluent.

Exercise 4: Choose the correct answers.

1. We didn't take _____ photographs when we were on holiday.
A. much B. a lot of C. many of D. a great deal of
2. _____ the students in my class enjoy taking part in social activities.
A. Most of B. Most C. Many D. The number of
3. He's always busy. He has _____ time to relax.
A. much B. little C. a little D. plenty of
4. She put so _____ salt in the soup that she couldn't have it. It was too salty.
A. many B. little C. much D. a little
5. We had a boring holiday. _____ the time we lay on the beach.
A. Most B. Much C. Most of D. Many of
6. How _____ students are there in your class?
A. little B. few C. much D. many
7. I feel sorry for her. She has _____ friends.
A. many B. a few C. few D. a great deal of
8. I spent _____ my spare time gardening last year.
A. most of B. most C. many of D. a large number of
9. He doesn't have so _____ friends as I think.

- A. much B. a great deal of C. many D. a large number of
 10. With only _____ hope, Harry didn't know how to keep going another day.
 A. little B. a little C. few D. a few

Exercise 5: Choose the correct answers.

1. How _____ money have you got?
 A. many B. much C. a lot of D. a great deal of
 2. I think _____ you are very tired after your long journey.
 A. many B. much C. many of D. much of
 3. There isn't _____ shampoo in the bathroom.
 A. any B. some C. little D. few
 4. Would you like _____ tea?
 A. many B. some C. a few D. any
 5. The mixture looks rather dry. Maybe you should add _____ water.
 A. a few B. few C. a little D. little
 6. We're having a big party. We've invited _____ friends.
 A. a lot of B. much C. many of D. no
 7. Could I try _____ wine?
 A. few B. a few C. little D. a little
 8. Don't drink _____ wine. It's bad for your health.
 A. so much B. a few C. so many D. many
 9. Is there _____ water in the glass?
 A. lots of B. some C. many D. any
 10. Can you speak French? - Yes, _____
 A. a few B. few C. a little D. little

Exercise 6: Complete the sentences with suitable quantifiers.

1. I have _____ money, not enough to buy groceries.
 2. She has _____, enough to buy a ticket.
 3. There is too _____ traffic on the street at rush hours.
 4. There were too _____ people in the hall last night.
 5. Do you know _____ people in this neighborhood?
 6. Let's go and have a drink, we have _____ time left, enough for a cup of coffee.
 7. My village has been modernized, _____ the house has a telephone.
 8. There are four books on the table. _____ of them has a different color.
 9. 29/30 students in my class is male. In other words, _____ of the students in my class is male.
 10. You should strive _____ more to get progress in study.

Exercise 7: Decide if each quantifier is correct or incorrect.

1. She has a few books, not enough for conferences.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. He bought much furniture for her new apartment which she has bought recently.	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Any of the people I work with are very friendly.	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. It is so sad that no of these money is mine.	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Would you like something to it?	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. The audience clapped their hands so much times that the singer had to sing again.	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. We must be quick. There is few time left.	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. You should reach every sentence carefully.	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. I have got so many news to tell you today.	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. I don't have any friends in Hanoi.	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. We didn't buy a flowers yesterday.	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. There is somebody at the door. Let's go and see who it is.	<input type="checkbox"/>

13. Let me know if you need two help.	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. I have a large number of money, but I am not happy.	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Most the house in this village are built of bricks.	<input type="checkbox"/>

ANSWER KEY

Exercise 1: Complete the sentences with *some* or *any*.

1. any	2. some	3. any	4. some	5. any
6. any	7. some	8. any	9. any	10. any

Exercise 2: Complete the conversation. Put in *many* or *much*.

1. many	2. much	3. many	4. many	5. many
6. much	7. many	8. much	9. many	10. much

Exercise 3: Put in *a few*, *few*, *a little* or *little*.

1. a little	2. few	3. few	4. little	5. a little
6. few	7. few	8. little	9. few	10. a little

Exercise 4: Choose the correct answers.

1. B	2. A	3. B	4. C	5. C
6. D	7. C	8. A	9. C	10. A

Exercise 5: Choose the correct answers.

1. B	2. C	3. A	4. C	5. C
6. A	7. D	8. A	9. D	10. C

Exercise 6: Complete the sentences with suitable quantifiers.

1. little	2. a little money	3. much	4. many	5. many
6. a little	7. each of	8. Each	9. most	10. much

Exercise 7: Decide if each quantifier is correct or incorrect.

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