

Dear Parents / Students

Due to the unprecedented situation, Knowledgeplus Training center is mobilized and will keep accompanying and supporting our students through this difficult time. Our Staff will be continuously, sending notes and exercises on a weekly basis through what's app and email.

Students are requested to copy the notes and do the exercises on their copybooks. The answers to the questions below will be made available on our website on [knowledgeplus.mu/support.php](http://knowledgeplus.mu/support.php).

Please note that these are extra work and notes that we are providing our students and all classes will be replaced during the winter vacation.

We thank you for your trust and are convinced that, together, we will overcome these troubled times

RECAP

**Extra Notes and Homework – WEEK 2**

**Instruction:** Make sure to copy all the notes and exercises in your respective **copybooks**.

*'A little' and 'little' and 'a few' and 'few'*

'A little' and 'little' and 'a few' and 'few' are known as **quantifiers**.

-We sometimes use '**a/an**' with several **quantifiers**:

- **a** little
- **a** few
- **a** lot (of)

-However we also use '**no article**' with several:

- little
- few
- lots (of)

- we can choose to use '**a little**' or '**little**' (when using an **uncountable noun**) or

- '**a few**' or '**few**' (when using a **plural countable noun**).

They have slightly different meanings. ('A lot' and 'lots' aren't like this. 'A lot' means the same as 'lots').

When we say '**a little**' or '**a few**' we mean *a small amount*, but it's enough.

- John: Let's go out tonight.
- Lucy: Okay. I have a little money, enough for the cinema at least.

- '**little**' or '**few**' also mean a small amount, but this time *the amount is almost nothing*.

ARTICLES: ARE THE WORDS 'A', 'AN', 'THE' USED TO DEFINE WHETHER SOMETHING IS SPECIFIC OR UNSPECIFIC.

If the noun is something that we want (like money or friends) then using ‘little’ or ‘few’ means that we don’t have enough.

- John: Let’s go out tonight.
- Lucy: Sorry, I have **little** money. I really can’t afford to go out.

Of course, if we use ‘few’ or ‘little’ with a noun that we don’t want, then the sentence can have a positive meaning. It’s good to have nearly no problems.

- There have been **few** problems with the new system, thankfully!
- Luckily, there is **little** crime in my town.
- I’m so pleased that I have **few** arguments with my family.
- It’s great that there’s been very **little** bad weather this month.

#### A Little / Little / A Few / Few

Choose a little / little / a few / few:

1. I have \_\_\_\_\_ water left. There’s enough to share.
2. I have \_\_\_\_\_ good friends. I’m not lonely.
3. He has \_\_\_\_\_ education. He can’t read or write, and he can hardly count.
4. There are \_\_\_\_\_ people she really trusts. It’s a bit sad.
5. We’ve got \_\_\_\_\_ time at the weekend. Would you like to meet?
6. Julie gave us \_\_\_\_\_ apples from her garden. Shall we share them?
7. She has \_\_\_\_\_ self-confidence. She has a lot of trouble talking to new people.
8. There are \_\_\_\_\_ women politicians in the UK. Many people think there should be more.
9. It’s a great pity, but the hospital has \_\_\_\_\_ medicine. They can’t help many people.
10. I’ve got \_\_\_\_\_ cakes to give away. Would you like one?
11. There’s \_\_\_\_\_ milk left in the fridge. It should be enough for our coffee.
12. \_\_\_\_\_ children from this school go on to university, unfortunately.
13. Do you need information on English grammar? I have \_\_\_\_\_ books on the topic if you would like to borrow them.
14. She’s lucky. She has \_\_\_\_\_ problems.
15. London has \_\_\_\_\_ sunshine in the winter. That’s why so many British people go on holiday to sunny places!

16. There's \_\_\_\_\_ spaghetti left in the cupboard. Shall we eat it tonight?
17. There are \_\_\_\_\_ programmes on television that I want to watch. I prefer to download a film or read a book.
18. He has \_\_\_\_\_ free time. He hardly ever even manages to call his mother!
19. Unfortunately, I have \_\_\_\_\_ problems at the moment.
20. Are you thirsty? There's \_\_\_\_\_ juice left in this bottle, if you'd like it.