

- 1 Следующие неисчисляемые существительные не имеют множественного числа и не употребляются с неопределенным артиклем.

anger	happiness	time	news	information
beauty	love	work	luck	nonsense
life	respect	weather	fun	permission
freedom	strength	money	nature	experience
space	health	progress	advice	knowledge
furniture	hair			

I wish you happiness. This is interesting work. I like rainy weather.

- Указанные существительные могут употребляться с *определенным артиклем*, если есть ограничивающее определение или ограничение ситуацией.
The weather is fine *today*. The work *I'm doing* is very interesting.
I don't have the time *for it*.
- Некоторые из указанных существительных могут изменять значение и тогда они становятся исчисляемыми.
It's a wonderful work of art. (*произведение*)
He told us about an awful experience in his life. (*случай из жизни*)
Слово **life** употребляется с **a**, если ему предшествует описательное определение.
I know he had a difficult life.

- 2 Существительные, обозначающие названия веществ (**water, bread, sand, stone, silk, meat, fish, fire, wood, wool, tea, soup, paper, glass, cotton**) также не употребляются с *неопределенным артиклем*.
Give me some water, please. You must eat more fish.

- Наличие описательного определения не влияет на употребление артиклей.
The dress is made of very *good silk*. I like *hot coffee*.
- Определенный артикль употребляется, если речь идет об ограниченном количестве вещества.
The water in the river is cold. *The meat I've bought* is fresh.
- Иногда эти существительные также изменяют свое значение и становятся исчисляемыми.
I want *a salad* and *a coffee*, please. (*порция салата и чашка кофе*).
Let's make *a fire*. (*костер*) He threw *a stone* into the water. (*камень*)

- 3 Существительные, названия наук, виды искусства, предметы, изучаемые в учебных заведениях, не употребляются с неопределенным артиклем.

He studies *law* at University. Susan is fond of French *poetry*.
I never enjoyed studying *history*. **но** I'm reading a book about *the history of Scotland*.

Вставъте артикли, где это необходимо.

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1. weather is fine today. Let's go for a walk. I like to walk in good weather.
2. I can say I feel great respect for this man.
3. Doesn't he understand that he is talking nonsense?
4. This is very interesting news. I would say news is shocking.
5. First of all you must think about health.
6. advice he gave me was useful indeed. He is clever man and always gives good advice.
7. What he needs now is luck and I'm sure he will achieve success.
8. You've made great progress this year and got deep knowledge of the subject.
9. It was fun to watch children playing.
10. work must be done in time. It's urgent work.

2

1. He needs experience to become good doctor.
2. Tim is of course a man of great physical strength.
3. information he has may be interesting to us.
4. He is interested in life of great people.
5. I think he had interesting life.
6. Be careful not to break it. It's made of glass.
7. doctors say he mustn't eat meat. They say meat can do him harm.
8. The child ate soup very quickly. He always has soup for dinner.
9. fish doesn't smell good. Don't eat it.
10. He likes strong tea with sugar and lemon.

3

1. Waiter! I'd like juice and ice-cream, please.
2. Don't give her ice-cream. She has a cold.
3. I don't want anything but plain water.
4. Can I have bread and butter? – butter is in fridge and here is bread.
5. There is fire over there. Some house is on fire.
6. I don't think English grammar is very difficult.
7. life is impossible without water and air.
8. tourists made fire and cooked food.
9. paper is rough. I need better paper.
10. Only some animals are afraid of water but all animals are afraid of fire.

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1. She says there is nothing better than cold tea on hot day.
2. He is interested in ancient history and knows much about life of people at that time.
3. Mike says he doesn't like modern music but he always enjoys classical music.
4. Is it easy to drive in thick fog?
5. Which is cheaper, fuel or gas?
6. Do you prefer clothes made of silk or cotton?
7. Which do you like more, apple juice or orange juice?
8. Do you wear clothes made of leather?
9. ink is black. You need blue ink.
10. grass is wet. Never sit on wet grass.