Unit 6 · Talking about Quantity

HARDER PRACTICE QUESTIONS

Full marks 26

Write your answers on separate paper.

1 How much or how many? [6]

Complete each question with *How much* or *How many*.

a. ..... tomatoes do we need? (We buy them by the kilo.)
b. ..... rice is left in the sack?
c. ..... packets of rice did you buy?
d. ..... money is in your pocket?
e. ..... rupees ..... (is / are) in your pocket?
f. Aayusha says, "We buy tomatoes by the kilogram, so it should be *how much tomatoes*." Is she right? Explain how you decide.

2 More than one [5]

Write the plural of each word in brackets.

Last week two ..... (thief) broke into our shed. They took three ..... (box) of ..... (mango), two sharp ..... (knife) and all the ..... (key). They didn't take the ..... (sheep). The ..... (baby) next door cried, and the ..... (child) in our lane didn't sleep for two ..... (day). My grandfather was so angry that he showed all his ..... (tooth)!

a. Write the ten plurals.
b. Three of your ten plurals follow none of these four rules: add *-s*, add *-es*, *y* → *-ies*, *f* or *fe* → *-ves*. Which three? What happens to each one instead?

3 A or an? [5]

Write *a*, *an* or X (nothing).

a. ..... hour
b. ..... hotel
c. ..... umbrella
d. ..... new umbrella
e. ..... orange umbrella
f. ..... uniform
g. ..... honest girl
h. ..... rice
i. ..... eggs
j. Pratiksha wrote *an university*, because *u* is a vowel letter. Explain her mistake, and say why *an umbrella* is still right.

4 Checking the bill [6]

Kushal's mother sent him to a shop with Rs. 1,000 and this list. (The prices are made up.)

- 2 kg of rice, at Rs. 90 a kilogram
- 500 g of lentils, at Rs. 160 a kilogram
- a dozen (12) eggs, at Rs. 20 an egg
- a ..... of tea, Rs. 120
- two ..... of bread, at Rs. 60 each

a. Write the right words for the two gaps.

b. How much do the lentils cost? Show how you know.

c. The shopkeeper says, "That's Rs. 820 altogether." Work out the right total. Which line of the list did he read wrong, and how did he read it?

d. How much change should Kushal get?

e. Kushal's mother asks him two questions when he gets home. Write them, one with *How much* and one with *How many*.

5 Writing about the shopping [4]

You are the boy in the last problem. Write a paragraph about your trip to the shop, in about 60 words. Say where you went and what you bought, with the quantity of each thing. Use *first*, *then* and *finally*, and end with what you did after you paid.