

## Countable and Uncountable Nouns with the Same Meaning

### Teacher's instructions

*Cut up one pack of cards per group of two to four students, then make one more copy per student. Each group spreads their pack of cards across the table and matches up pairs of words with similar meanings. When they have nearly finished ask them what the differences are each time (= one in each pair is countable, i.e. often takes "s", and the other is uncountable), then ask them to work together to guess which is which in each pair. This should also help those groups who are still trying to match the pairs up.*

*Give out the extra copies of the worksheet for them to check their answers with. (The cards are matched in the table with the uncountable one on the left each time.)*

violence	attack	advice	recommendation
assistance	favour	bad publicity	scandal
body language	gesture	canned food	tin
courage	heroic act	darkness	shadow
data	figure	education	qualification
equipment	gadget	evidence	clue
food	dish	foolishness/ care- lessness	mistake/ error
free time	day off	homework	assignment
humour	joke	jargon	technical term
knowledge	fact	vocabulary	word
work	job	magic	spell
mail/ post	letter	peace	truce
progress	improvement	scenery	view
software	program	staff	employee
stuff	thing	surf	wave
training	course	transport	vehicle
travel	journey	trouble	problem