

● Using a *few/very few* and a *little/very little*



Directions: Replace the italicized words with ***a few***, ***(very) few***, ***a little***, or ***(very) little***.

a little

Example: I think that ~~some~~ sugar makes a cup of coffee taste better.

(very) few

Example: Many people know how to plant a flower, but ~~not many~~ people know how to make it grow.

- 1) You might obtain your goal if you put forth *some* more effort.
- 2) Even though the mountain is very steep and the climb is dangerous, *not many* adventurous and strong-willed people have made it to the top.
- 3) The number of people in the world who are willing to risk their lives climbing a dangerous mountain is small. *Not very many* people will actually risk their lives to climb a mountain.
- 4) The instructor spoke very clearly. As a result, *not many* students had questions at the end of her speech.
- 5) I have to go to the bank because I have *some* checks I need to deposit.
- 6) Jeremy goes to his mailbox every day, but it is usually empty. He gets *not much* mail.
- 7) My friend arrived in the United States *not many* months ago.
- 8) I think you could use some help. Can I give you *some* advice?
- 9) I broke my arm *not many* days ago
- 10) Jenny likes to eat salad. She usually adds *some* lemon juice to it.
- 11) I have *not much* patience for people who make a decision before considering all sides of an argument.
- 12) Amanda is smart. She studies hard for tests and usually has *not many* problems at school.