

# Skyrocket Your Grammar 3

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# A Picnic in the Country

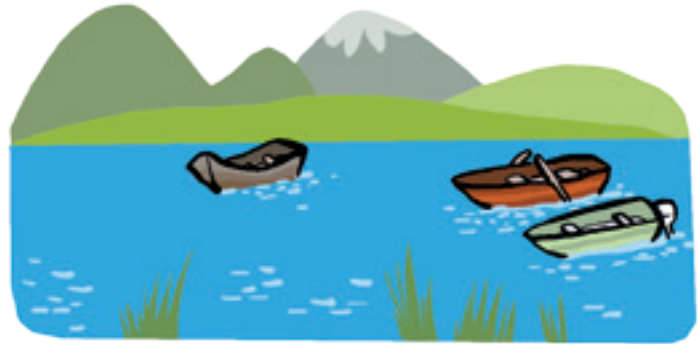
## There is / There are

We use *there is* to talk about one thing that exists in a place.

**There is** a lake.

We use *there are* to talk about more than one thing that exists in a place.

**There are** three boats.



1 Read and mark (✓) the correct picture.

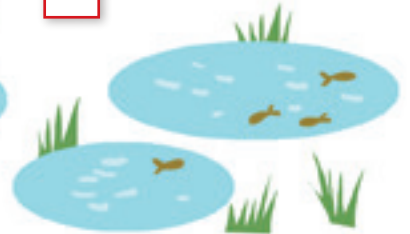
1. There are three mountains.





2. There is a pond.



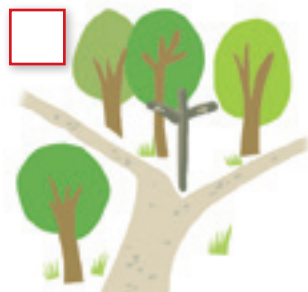


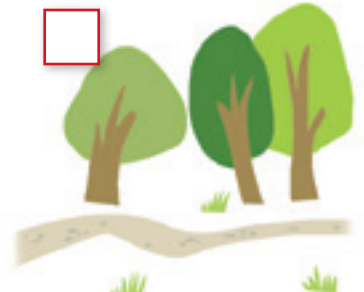
3. There is a bike.





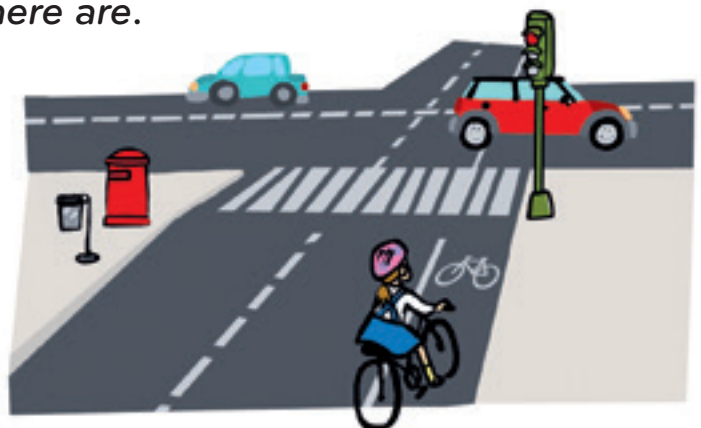
4. There are two paths.





2 Read and complete with *There is* or *There are*.

I live in a small town. \_\_\_\_\_  
 a big street. \_\_\_\_\_ a bicycle  
 lane. \_\_\_\_\_ six zebra  
 crossings. \_\_\_\_\_ small streets.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ three traffic lights.





**a little / a lot of**

A *little* is used before nouns that you can't count. It is used to describe a small amount of something.

There is **a little** cheese.

A *lot of* can be used to describe a large amount of something.

There is **a lot of** bread.



**1** Look, read and match.

1. There is a lot of juice.

2. There is a little milk.

3. There is a lot of chicken.

4. There is a little bread.



**2** Listen and circle the correct picture. **1**

**1**



**2**



**3**



## a few / a lot of

A *few* is used before nouns that you can count. It is used to describe a small number of things.

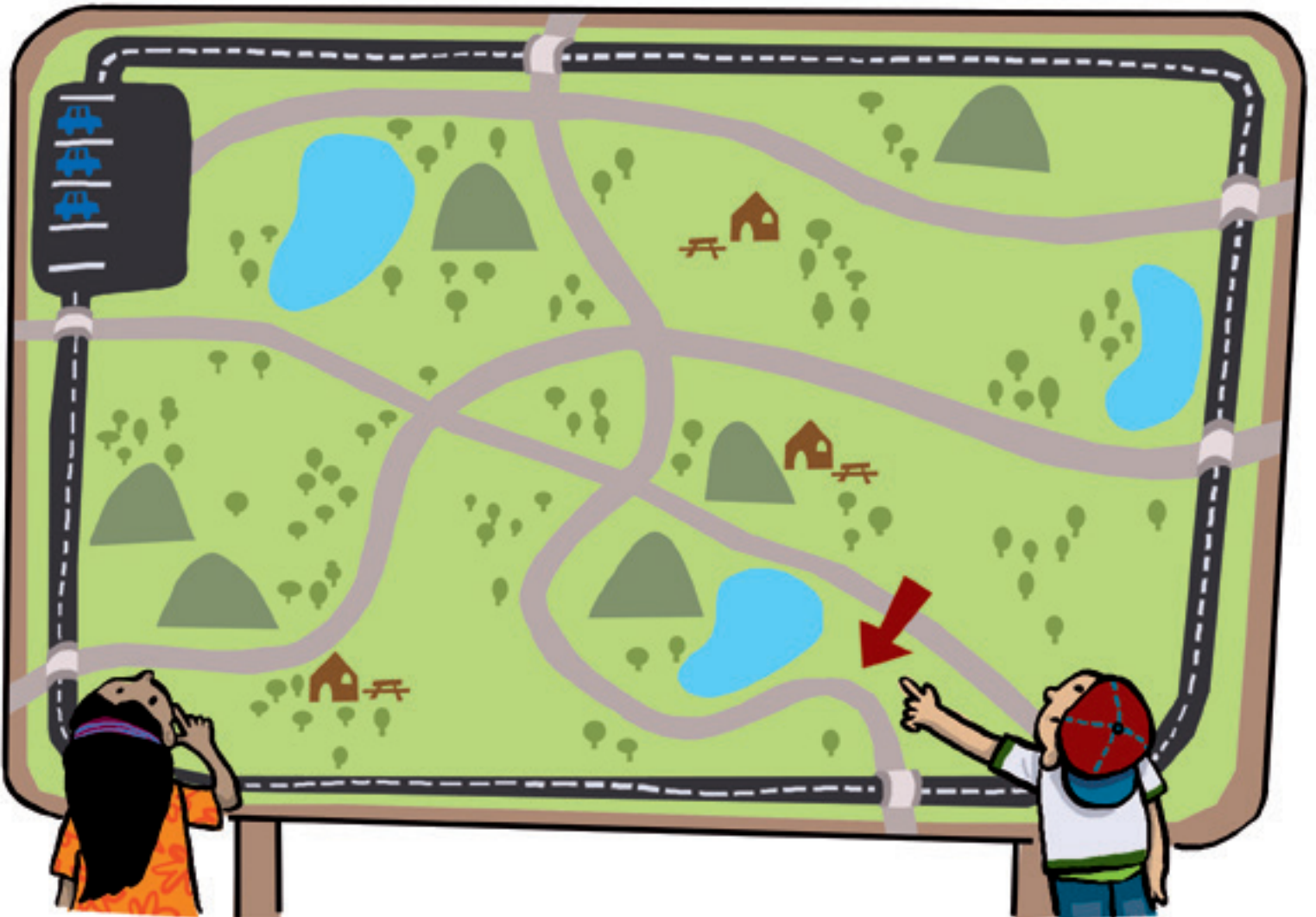
There are **a few** crisps in the bag.

A *lot of* can be used to describe a large number of things.

There are **a lot of** ants on the blanket.



1 Look, read and circle the correct words.



1. There are **a few** / **a lot of** paths.
2. There are **a few** / **a lot of** trees.
3. There are **a few** / **a lot of** ponds.
4. There are **a few** / **a lot of** hills.
5. There are **a few** / **a lot of** picnic areas.
6. There are **a few** / **a lot of** pedestrian bridges.
7. There are **a few** / **a lot of** children.
8. There are **a few** / **a lot of** cars.



2 Look and mark (✓ or ✗).

Can you count it? ✓ = Yes ✗ = No

1. lemonade



2. sandwiches



3. apples



4. crisps



5. water



6. cheese



◆ Look at the pictures above. Then read and complete the sentences.



I have a lot of food in my picnic basket!

1. Is there any lemonade?

Yes! *There is a lot of lemonade.*

2. Are there any sandwiches?

Yes! \_\_\_\_\_

3. Are there any apples?

Yes! \_\_\_\_\_

4. Are there any crisps?

Yes! \_\_\_\_\_

5. Is there any water?

Yes! \_\_\_\_\_

6. Is there any cheese?


Yes! \_\_\_\_\_

Great! Let's go to the park!



1 Read and use the code to circle the underlined words.

Things you can count = 

Things you can't count = 

## Central Park: Then

It's 1857. About half a million people live in New York City. People travel to the country to see nature.

Frederick Law Olmstead and Calvert Vaux decide to plan a new park. They want a place where people can find peace and quiet near the city.

Many people work to build the park. It takes a lot of work to get the land ready. They plant trees and flowers. They build bridges and lakes. It takes twenty years to finish Central Park.



## Central Park: Today

Today, more than eight million people live in New York City. Now there is a place where people can find peace and quiet. In Central Park, there are shady paths and birds. People can ride bikes and play ball games. They can row boats on the lakes and have picnics on the grass. There are even a few hills to climb. Visiting Central Park is like visiting the country, right in the middle of the city!





2 Read and mark (✓) the correct column.

Central Park Facts		a little	a few	a lot of
24,000 trees				✓
4 paths				
3 lakes				
more than a million square metres of grass				
less than 30 cm of snow in December				
9,000 benches				

◆ Write some sentences about Central Park.

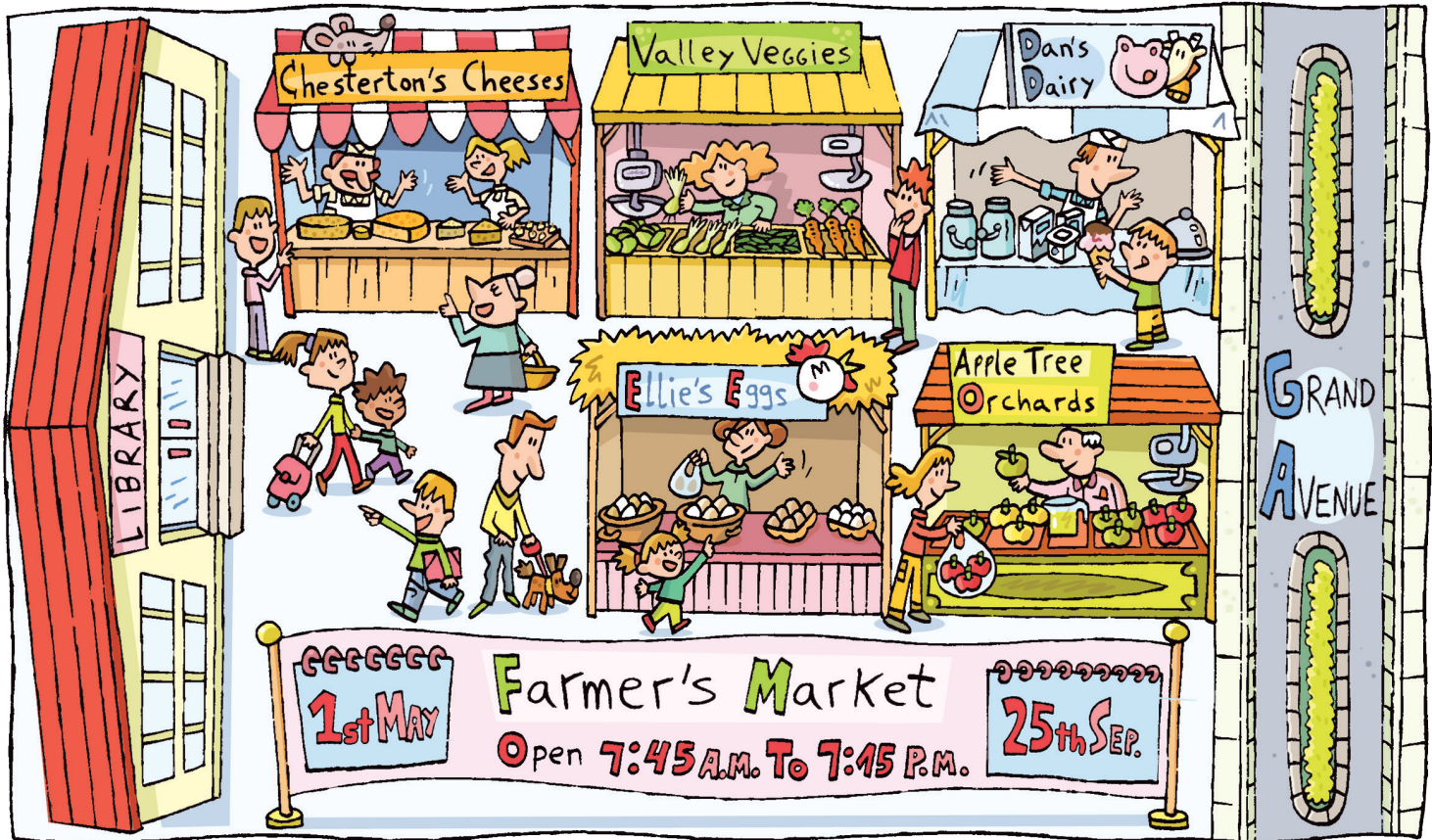
1. *There are a lot of trees.*
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_



# Review



1 Read, look and complete.



behind    between    on    first    twenty-fifth    a little    a few    to    past

Every summer there is a big farmer's market \_\_\_\_\_ the library and Grand Avenue.  
 It starts on \_\_\_\_\_ May and ends on \_\_\_\_\_ September.  
 It's open every day from a quarter \_\_\_\_\_ eight to a quarter \_\_\_\_\_ seven.  
 My mum goes to Apple Tree Orchards to buy \_\_\_\_\_ juice and \_\_\_\_\_ apples.  
 I like going to Dan's Dairy \_\_\_\_\_ Apple Tree Orchards. There you can buy fresh  
 ice cream with chocolate \_\_\_\_\_ top. Yum!

◆ Rewrite the sentences using *always*, *often* or *sometimes*.

1. Every day, Miss Ellie collects eggs from her chickens.

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Once a month, Mr Chesterton has a sale on cheese.

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Three times a week, we buy vegetables from Valley Veggies.

\_\_\_\_\_



2 Listen and complete.  

## Busy Day



Where can you \_\_\_\_\_ a radio,  
A basketball, a shirt, and new shoes?  
Where can you buy a chocolate bar?  
I \_\_\_\_\_ them all right now!



*Chorus*

*What can we \_\_\_\_\_? We are so busy!  
We \_\_\_\_\_ run around this city!  
\_\_\_\_\_ we climb into our car  
And ride out to the country.*

Where \_\_\_\_\_? I need a haircut!  
Where can I buy a piece of \_\_\_\_\_?  
It's \_\_\_\_\_ to five so there  
Is not a lot of \_\_\_\_\_!

*Chorus*

*Come here, come to the country!  
Leave all your cares \_\_\_\_\_ you.  
Sit, rest and have a picnic  
\_\_\_\_\_ the grass so green.*

