

Why Are Some Nouns Countable and Uncountable?

A. Read the sentences and choose the best explanation.

1. Family is very important to me.
 - a. A particular family is very important to me.
 - b. The idea of having a family is very important me.

2. In the coming years, cars will be equipped with exciting new technologies.
 - a. There will be one type of technology.
 - b. There will be many different types of technology.

3. Her new book is a history of Japan.
 - a. The book is about a specific country.
 - b. The book is about the study of the past.

4. You need experience before you work here.
 - a. You need to do a particular event or activity.
 - b. You need to build your knowledge and skills.

5. When I was younger, I had a chance to be on television.
 - a. I had an opportunity.
 - b. I was lucky.

B. Write sentences using each word first as a non-count and then as a count noun.

1. Change

Non-count:

Count:

2. Identity

Non-count:

Count:

3. Marriage

Non-count:

Count:

4. Gas

Non-count:

Count:

5. Freedom

Non-count:

Count:
