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## Scientific Writing Resources

*Words and phrases that can confuse*

help  
rhetorical  
scientists  
focus  
non-native  
his History  
Boyle  
Society  
emphasized  
accepted  
improve  
still  
started  
text  
plain  
accurate  
style  
reader  
rather  
industry  
services  
descriptions  
writing  
English  
practical  
importance  
flourishes  
top  
Thomas  
Scientific  
speaking  
author  
member  
Society  
research  
Sprat  
wrote  
now  
dull  
get  
utilize  
London  
Robert  
manuscripts  
submission  
good  
easier



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### Uncountable nouns

These are also called **MASS** nouns and indicate a **QUANTITY** and thus take **LITTLE** and need to be quantified by another noun: *a glass of water, a piece of paper, some information, a drop of blood.*

Some of these can take a plural but they then indicate “different types of”: *you can use various spellings with this program, they have different sugars in the bars.*

Just remember: **NO PLURAL**

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Advice	Knowledge	Software
Blood	Luck	Spelling
Clarity	Money	Sugar
Courage	News	Transportat
Curiosity	Patriotism	ion
Education	Pollution	Water
Equipment	Progress	Weather
Evidence	Racism	Wisdom
Help	Satisfaction	Work
Honesty	Scenery	
Information	Sexism	
Insurance	Silence	