Quantifiers: *Who Makes the World Go Round?*

Directions for the teacher:

**Step 1** – Write this proverb on the board: *It takes all kinds to make the world go round.* As a class, discuss its meaning.

**Step 2** – Explain that students will be writing statements about different groups of people and tendencies within those groups. To do so, they will be using quantifiers. They need to recall which can be used with count nouns, noncount nouns, or both. As a class, complete this sorting task: Draw three columns on the board for the three types of quantifiers. Call out one quantifier at a time and have students identify the group the quantifier belongs to. Possible list:

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<th>Used with count nouns</th>
<th>Used with noncount nouns</th>
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<td>Several</td>
<td>A great deal of</td>
<td>Some</td>
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<td>(A) Few</td>
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<td>(Too) Many</td>
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<td>A good number of</td>
<td>A bit of</td>
<td>All</td>
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<td>A couple of</td>
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<td>Most (of the)</td>
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<td>Dozens of</td>
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**Step 3** – Give each student the handout below. You may have students work in pairs or small groups. Members of a group must all agree on a single statement and write it on their copies.

**Step 4** – As a whole class, go through each sentence completion and discuss the various ideas. Encourage agreement and disagreement to be voiced.
1. Most women like to hear that ________________________________________.

2. Movie stars spend too much money on ________________________________.

3. Some politicians ____________________________________________________.

4. A good number of college students ________________________________.

5. Most of the time teachers__________________________________________________________________________.

6. You can always find a couple of people at a party who______________________________

____________________________________________________

7. Many husbands tend to ____________________________________________.

8. You’ll find dozens of city residents who complain about _____________________

___________________________________________________________.

9. A lot of parents worry ____________________________________________.

10. No sane person would agree to ______________________________________.

11. Teenagers today spend a great deal of their time ________________________.

12. All people need a little ____________________________________________.

13. Several professional athletes are well-known for _____________________________.

14. __________________ is one person who could use a bit of humor in his/ her life.

New words?

Tend to do something
= likely to do something

Sane (adj.)
= Having a normal, reasonable way of thinking (not crazy)

Resident (noun) = one who lives in a particular place

Humor (noun)
= the quality that makes something funny