



Using Of

Let's review some of the phrases from  
the grammar video...

*There are some strawberries in the  
fridge*

*There is a large amount of butter in the  
fridge*

Now let's analyse the structure...

*There are **some strawberries** in the  
fridge*

quantifier

noun

Now let's analyse the structure...

*There is a large amount of butter in the  
fridge*

quantifier

noun



In both of these phrases the structure is

**QUANTIFIER + NOUN**

What happens if the word directly after the quantifier isn't a noun. What if it is an article or a possessive adjective?

For example;

*There are some my strawberries in the  
fridge*

quantifier

noun



Now we have a possessive adjective  
“my” directly after the quantifier

*There are some my strawberries in the  
fridge*

quantifier

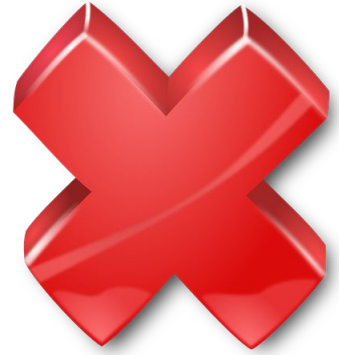
noun



If there is

- a) an article (a, an, the)
  - b) a possessive adjective (my, your, his, her, its, our, their)
  - c) an object pronoun (me, you, him, her, it, us, them)
  - d) a demonstrative (this, that, these, those)
- directly after the quantifier then we must insert OF after the quantifier.

So this sentence is incorrect!



*There are **some my strawberries** in the  
fridge*

↑  
quantifier

↑  
noun

We must add OF



*There are some **of** my strawberries in  
the fridge*

↑  
quantifier

↑  
noun


Let's review some more examples...

demonstrative

quantifier

noun

There are *many* **those** *bananas* in the  
fridge





demonstrative



*There are many of those bananas in  
the fridge*

quantifier



noun





possessive  
adjective



*There isn't much his chocolate left in  
the fridge*

quantifier



noun



possessive  
adjective



*There isn't much of his chocolate left in  
the fridge*

quantifier

noun



But you must be careful because there are some quantifiers that use ***of*** as part of their structure. This doesn't apply to these quantifiers because we can't write *of* twice in the sentence!

For example....



There is **a great deal of his information**

quantifier

available

possessive  
adjective

noun

We don't write *of* twice



There is **a great deal of** of his information

quantifier

available

possessive  
adjective

noun