Uncountable nouns

Correct these mistakes from real language learners.

- I bought ~~a~~ bread at a nearby bakery today.

I bought bread at a nearby bakery today.

There is no countable form called 'bread' and so we can't use 'a'.

- Pasta~~s~~ are my new addiction now.

Pasta is my new addition now.

We don't count pasta (it's too hard to do) and so we can't use 's'. We could say 'Different types of pasta are my new addition now'.

- I made jam~~s~~ of cherry, which have been grown in my garden.

I made cherry jam from cherries which were grown in my garden.

Jam is a liquid and so is uncountable. The 's' needs to be removed. Also, 'cherry jams' is a better noun phrase.

- I wanted a storage box for toilet paper~~s~~.

I wanted a storage box for toilet paper.

The countable version of what the writer is talking about is 'rolls of toilet paper'. Toilet paper itself is uncountable.

- Yesterday I made bread~~s~~.

Yesterday I made bread.

If the writer makes croissants, rolls, loaves, baguettes they would say: "Yesterday I made different types of bread."

- Today I have been baking many sweets and bread~~s~~ from the morning.

Today I have been baking many types of sweets and bread for the morning.

You can count sweets but not bread. Therefore 'bread' cannot have the 's'.

- I love fruit~~s~~.

I love fruit <u>or</u> I love different types of fruit.

You can count the 'types of fruit' but not 'fruit'.

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