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She needs to buy a gallon. Four cups would be one quart, so she’ll need to buy more than one quart.

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He has exactly enough milk because four cups equals one quart.

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On December 7th, she bought six quarts of milk. Since there are four quarts in a gallon, she purchased more than a gallon of milk.