

# What's this?

## SNAPSHOT

Listen and practice.

### What's in your bag?



Check (✓) the things in your bag.  
What other things are in your bag?

Source: Based on interviews with people between the ages of 16 and 30

## ARTICLES Classroom objects

Listen. Complete these sentences with *a* or *an*.

### articles

**an** + vowel sound  
**a** + consonant sound



1. This is ..... book.



2. This is ..... eraser.

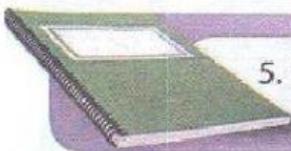
3. This is ..... English book.



4. This is ..... marker.



5. This is ..... notebook.



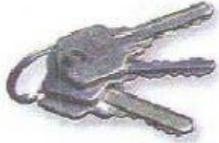
6. This is ..... clock.

Julia and Steven want to buy a new house. They have come to see a house for sale.

Complete the sentences with 'a/an', or 'the'.

- Julia:** Well, here we are, number 378 Maple Street. I think this is (1) the house we saw on-line. What do you think of (2) \_\_\_\_\_ location?
- Steve:** It's in (3) \_\_\_\_\_ nice neighborhood. And it's close to downtown.
- Julia:** And there's (4) \_\_\_\_\_ bus stop not too far away.
- Steve:** How many bedrooms are there?
- Julia:** Um. There are three bedrooms. They're all upstairs, I think.
- Steve:** There's (5) \_\_\_\_\_ back yard behind the house, right?
- Julia:** That's right. (6) \_\_\_\_\_ back yard is actually quite large. It would be great for our kids to play in.
- Steve:** Yeah, I think so, too. Did you see any photos of (7) \_\_\_\_\_ living room on-line? What does it look like?
- Julia:** (8) \_\_\_\_\_ living room looks great. It looks bright and sunny and it has (9) \_\_\_\_\_ nice view of (10) \_\_\_\_\_ mountains. But (11) \_\_\_\_\_ kitchen looks a little small.
- Steve:** And ... I remember you said there isn't (12) \_\_\_\_\_ basement, right?
- Julia:** No, but there is (13) \_\_\_\_\_ attic where we can put things.
- Steve:** Hmm .... That's good. Remember, we'll have to put our bicycles away during (14) \_\_\_\_\_ winter. I wonder if there's (15) \_\_\_\_\_ school nearby.
- Julia:** Let's ask (16) \_\_\_\_\_ real estate agent when she comes. She said she would be here at three o'clock.
- Steve:** Hey, look! There she is now!

Complete these conversations. Then practice with a partner.



1. A: What are these ..... ?  
B: They're keys.



2. A: What ..... ?  
B: .....



3. A: What ..... ?  
B: .....



4. A: What ..... ?  
B: .....



5. A: What ..... ?  
B: .....



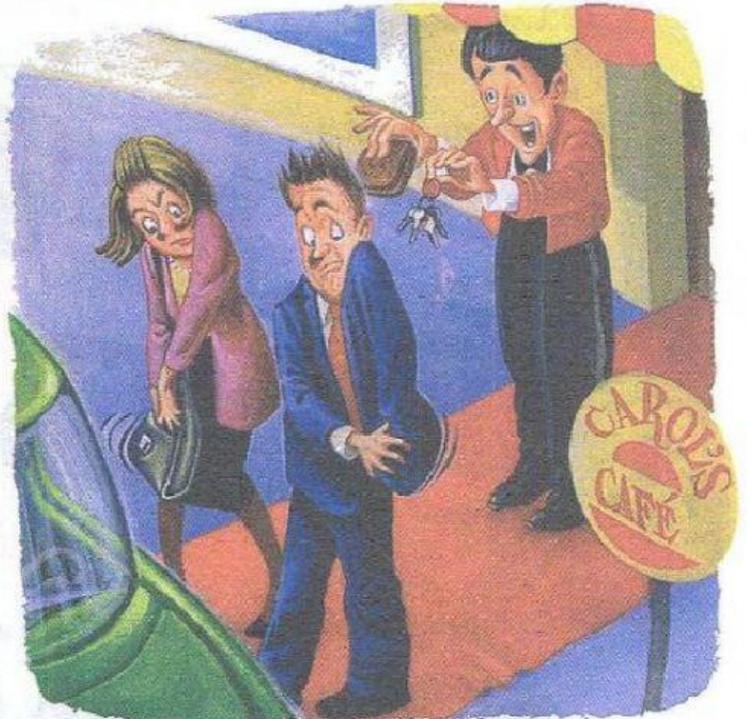
6. A: What ..... ?  
B: .....

## CONVERSATION Oh, no!

🎧 Listen and practice.

Kate: Oh, no! Where are my car keys?  
Joe: I don't know. Are they in your purse?  
Kate: No, they're not.  
Joe: Maybe they're on the table in the restaurant.

Server: Excuse me. Are these your keys?  
Kate: Yes, they are. Thank you!  
Server: You're welcome. And is this your wallet?  
Kate: Hmm. No, it's not. Where's your wallet, Joe?  
Joe: It's in my pocket. . . . Wait a minute! That *is* my wallet!



**A** Complete these conversations. Then practice with a partner.

1. A: Is this your umbrella?  
 B: No, ..... not.  
 A: ..... these your keys?  
 B: Yes, ..... are. Thanks!
2. A: Where ..... my glasses?  
 B: Are ..... your glasses?  
 A: No, they're .....  
 B: Wait! ..... they in your pocket?  
 A: Yes, ..... are. Thanks!
3. A: Where ..... your sunglasses?  
 B: ..... on the table.  
 A: No, ..... not. They're *my* sunglasses!  
 B: You're right. My sunglasses ..... in my purse.
4. A: ..... this my pen?  
 B: No, ..... not. It's *my* pen.  
 A: Sorry. .... is my pen?  
 B: ..... on your desk.  
 A: Oh, you're right!

**B** Complete these sentences. Then listen and check your answers.



1. The books are in the .....  
book bag
2. The cell phone is .....
3. The map is .....



4. The chair is .....
5. The wallet is .....
6. The sunglasses are .....

Now, check your answers: