

**BÀI TẬP TỔNG HỢP VỀ MẠO TỪ “A/AN/THE”**

**Exercise 1:** Chọn đáp án đúng để điền vào chỗ trống (chú ý: ký hiệu “x” có nghĩa là không cần mạo từ)

1. We are looking for \_\_\_\_\_ place to spend \_\_\_\_\_ night.  
A. the/the                      B. a/the                      C. a/a                      D. the/a
2. Please turn off \_\_\_\_\_ lights when you leave \_\_\_\_\_ room.  
A. the/the                      B. a/a                      C. the/a                      D. a/the
3. We are looking for people with \_\_\_\_\_ experience.  
A. the                      B. a                      C. an                      D. x
4. Would you pass me \_\_\_\_\_ salt, please?  
A. a                      B. the                      C. an                      D. x
5. Can you show me \_\_\_\_\_ way to \_\_\_\_\_ station?  
A. the/the                      B. a/a                      C. the/a                      D. a/the
6. She has read \_\_\_\_\_ interesting book.  
A. a                      B. an                      C. the                      D. x
7. You'll get \_\_\_\_\_ shock if you touch \_\_\_\_\_ live wire with that screwdriver.  
A. an/the                      B. x/the                      C. a/a                      D. an/the
8. Mr. Smith is \_\_\_\_\_ old customer and \_\_\_\_\_ honest man.  
A. An/the                      B. the/an                      C. an/an                      D. the/the
9. \_\_\_\_\_ youngest boy has just started going to \_\_\_\_\_ school.  
A. a/x                      B. x/the                      C. an/x                      D. the/x
10. Do you go to \_\_\_\_\_ prison to visit him?  
A. the                      B. a                      C. x                      D. an
11. \_\_\_\_\_ eldest boy is at \_\_\_\_\_ college.  
A. a/the                      B. the/x                      C. x/ a                      D. an/x
12. Are you going away next week? No, \_\_\_\_\_ week after next.  
A. an                      B. a                      C. the                      D. x
13. Would you like to hear \_\_\_\_\_ story about \_\_\_\_\_ English scientist?  
A. an/the                      B. the/the                      C. a/the                      D. a/ an
14. There'll always be a conflict between \_\_\_\_\_ old and \_\_\_\_\_ young.  
A. the/the                      B. an/a                      C. an/the                      D. the/a

15. There was \_\_\_\_\_ collision at \_\_\_\_\_ corner.  
A. the/a                      B. an/the                      C. a/the                      D. the/the
16. My mother thinks that this is \_\_\_\_\_ expensive shop.  
A. the                      B. an                      C. a                      D. x
17. Like many women, she loves \_\_\_\_\_ parties and \_\_\_\_\_ gifts.  
A. the/ a                      B. a/the                      C. a/a                      D. x/x
18. She works seven days \_\_\_\_\_ week.  
A. a                      B. the                      C. an                      D. x
19. My mother goes to work in \_\_\_\_\_ morning.  
A. a                      B. x                      C. the                      D. an
20. I am on night duty. When you go to \_\_\_\_\_ bed, I go to \_\_\_\_\_ work.  
A. a/x                      B. a/the                      C. the/x                      D. x/x

**Exercise 2:** Câu chuyện sau được chia thành các câu nhỏ, hãy đọc và điền mạo từ thích hợp “a/an/ the hoặc x (không cần mạo từ)” vào chỗ trống:

1. There was \_\_\_\_\_ knock on \_\_\_\_\_ door. I opened it and found \_\_\_\_\_ small dark man in \_\_\_\_\_ blue overcoat and \_\_\_\_\_ woolen cap.
2. He said he was \_\_\_\_\_ employee of \_\_\_\_\_ gas company and had come to read \_\_\_\_\_ meter.
3. But I had \_\_\_\_\_ suspicion that he wasn't speaking \_\_\_\_\_ truth because \_\_\_\_\_ meter readers usually wear \_\_\_\_\_ peaked caps.
4. However, I took him to \_\_\_\_\_ meter, which is in \_\_\_\_\_ dark corner under \_\_\_\_\_ stairs.
5. I asked if he had \_\_\_\_\_ torch; he said he disliked torches and always read \_\_\_\_\_ meters by \_\_\_\_\_ light of \_\_\_\_\_ match.
6. I remarked that if there was \_\_\_\_\_ leak in \_\_\_\_\_ gas pipe there might be \_\_\_\_\_ explosion while he was reading \_\_\_\_\_ meter.
7. He said, “As \_\_\_\_\_ matter of \_\_\_\_\_ fact, there was \_\_\_\_\_ explosion in \_\_\_\_\_ last house I visited; and Mr. Smith, \_\_\_\_\_ owner of \_\_\_\_\_ house, was burnt in \_\_\_\_\_ face.”
8. “Mr. Smith was holding \_\_\_\_\_ lighted match at \_\_\_\_\_ time of \_\_\_\_\_ explosion.”
9. To prevent \_\_\_\_\_ possible repetition of this accident, I lent him \_\_\_\_\_ torch.
10. He switched on \_\_\_\_\_ torch, read \_\_\_\_\_ meter and wrote \_\_\_\_\_ reading down on \_\_\_\_\_ back of \_\_\_\_\_ envelope.

11. I said in \_\_\_\_\_ surprise that \_\_\_\_\_ meter readers usually put \_\_\_\_\_ readings down in \_\_\_\_\_ book.
12. He said that he had had \_\_\_\_\_ book but that it had been burnt in \_\_\_\_\_ fire in \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Smith's house.
13. By this time I had come to \_\_\_\_\_ conclusion that he wasn't \_\_\_\_\_ genuine meter reader; and \_\_\_\_\_ moment he left \_\_\_\_\_ house I rang \_\_\_\_\_ police.

**Exercise 3: Điền mạo từ thích hợp “a/an/the hoặc x (không cần mạo từ)” vào chỗ trống.**

14. Are John and Mary \_\_\_\_\_ cousins? ~  
No, they aren't \_\_\_\_\_ cousins; they are \_\_\_\_\_ brother and \_\_\_\_\_ sister.
15. \_\_\_\_\_ fog was so thick that we couldn't see \_\_\_\_\_ side of \_\_\_\_\_ road. We followed \_\_\_\_\_ car in front of us and hoped that we were going \_\_\_\_\_ right way.
16. I can't remember \_\_\_\_\_ exact date of \_\_\_\_\_ storm, but I know it was on \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday because everybody was at \_\_\_\_\_ church. On \_\_\_\_\_ Monday \_\_\_\_\_ post didn't come because \_\_\_\_\_ roads were blocked by \_\_\_\_\_ fallen trees.
17. Peter thinks that this is quite \_\_\_\_\_ cheap restaurant.
18. A: There's \_\_\_\_\_ murder here. ~  
B: Where's \_\_\_\_\_ body?~  
A: There isn't \_\_\_\_\_ body. ~  
B: Then how do you know there's been \_\_\_\_\_ murder?
19. Number \_\_\_\_\_ hundred and two, - \_\_\_\_\_ house next door to us, is for sale. It's quite \_\_\_\_\_ nice house with \_\_\_\_\_ big rooms \_\_\_\_\_ back windows look out on \_\_\_\_\_ park.
20. I don't know what \_\_\_\_\_ price \_\_\_\_\_ owners are asking. But Dry and Rot are \_\_\_\_\_ agents. You could give them \_\_\_\_\_ ring and make them \_\_\_\_\_ offer.
21. \_\_\_\_\_ postman's little boy says that he'd rather be \_\_\_\_\_ dentist than \_\_\_\_\_ doctor, because \_\_\_\_\_ dentists don't get called out at \_\_\_\_\_ night.
22. Just as \_\_\_\_\_ air hostess (there was only one on the plane) was handing me \_\_\_\_\_ cup of \_\_\_\_\_ coffee \_\_\_\_\_ plane gave \_\_\_\_\_ lunch and \_\_\_\_\_ coffee went all over \_\_\_\_\_ person on \_\_\_\_\_ other side of \_\_\_\_\_ gangway.
23. There was \_\_\_\_\_ collision between \_\_\_\_\_ car and \_\_\_\_\_ cyclist at \_\_\_\_\_ crossroads near \_\_\_\_\_ my house early in \_\_\_\_\_ morning.