CHAPTER 2: ARTICLES (MẠO TỪ)

LESSON 8: INDEFINITE AND DEFINITE ARTICLES (1)

1. Things to remember:

ARTICLES		CONTENT	EXAMPLE
INDEFINITE	A	- Refer to non-specific nouns - Used for a singular noun - Used before nouns that begin with consonant sounds	✓ She buys a book from the store ✗ She buys a apple from the store
		- EXCEPTION:	- A university - A European person
	AN	- Refer to non-specific nouns - Used for a singular noun - Used before nouns that begin with vowel ("a", "i", "e", "o", "u") sounds	✓ He wants to eat an apple for a snack ✗ He wants to eat an banana for a snack
		- EXCEPTION:	- An hour - An aunt
DEFINITE	THE	- Refer to a specific noun that is already known: + unique nouns + superlative form + ordinal numbers + musical instruments + famous works	- The birds are singing in the park - I can see the cat on the roof - He visits the Eiffel Tower - She's the tallest girl in the class - The first chaper of the book is so interesting - I can play the piano - She wants to watch "the Lion King"
		- Used for both a singular noun and plural noun	
		- Used before singular/plural nouns that are specific and identified	

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Exercise 1: Which article "a" or " an" can be put before the following words or phrases?

____ apple

____ son

____ pet

____ elephant

____ airport

____ car

____ actress

____ comic

____ umbrella

____ bird

Exercise 2: Choose the Correct Answer

1. Lucy has ____ dog.

a) a

b) an

2. Let's sing ____ song.

a) a

b) an

3. Emily needs ____new desk in her room.

a) a

b) an

4. I need ____ blue pen.

a) a

b) an

5. Ben has ____ old bike.

a) a

b) an

6. Peter has ____ aunt in Berlin.

a) a

b) an

7. We listen to ____ English CD.

a) a

b) an

8. She has ____ exercise book in her school bag.

a) a

b) an

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Exercise 3: Select the correct answer:

1. I like ____ blue T-shirt over there better than ____ red one.
2. Their car does 150 miles ____ hour.
3. Where's ____ USB drive I lent you last week?
4. Do you still live in ____ Bristol?
5. Is your mother working in ____ old office building?
6. Carol's father works as ____ electrician.
7. The tomatoes are 99 pence ____ kilo.
8. What do you usually have for ____ breakfast?
9. Ben has ____ terrible headache.
10. After this tour you have ____ whole afternoon free to explore the city

Exercise 4: Fill in the blanks with "a/an/the/x"

1. She eats ___ apple a day to stay healthy.
2. They visited ___ art museum in the city.
3. He wants to become ___ architect and design buildings.
4. I saw ___ rainbow after ___ rain stopped.
5. She's reading ___ interesting book about ___ ancient civilizations.
6. We want to go to ___ zoo and see ___ lions.
7. He's learning to play ___ guitar.
8. I have ___ soccer practice on ___ Monday afternoon.

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Exercise 5: Circle the correct answer

1. She's reading ___ book that her teacher recommended.

a) a b) an c) the d) x

2. I really hate ___ mosquitos. They always bite me.

a) a b) an c) the d) x

3. They're going to ___ beach this weekend.

a) a b) an c) the d) x

4. I saw ___ movie at ___ theater yesterday.

a) a, the b) an, an c) the, a d) x/x

5. She's learning to play ___ guitar.

a) a b) an c) the d) x

6. Do you want ___ sandwich? I've got cheese and bread in the shopping bag.

a) a b) an c) the d) x

7. She wants to be ___ umbulance driver when she finishes school.

a) a b) an c) the d) x

8. If you need to contact me over the weekend, please send me___ email.

a) a b) an c) the d) x

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