

## Articles

- ★ The words *a*, *an*, and *the* are **articles**. We put them before nouns.
- ★ We use *a* or *an* before singular nouns.
- ★ We use *the* before a specific thing or only one of something.

| Article    | Article + Noun                                                                                                                       |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>a</b>   | consonant sounds<br><b>a</b> bike <b>a</b> dress <b>a</b> park <b>a</b> test <b>a</b> coat                                           |
| <b>an</b>  | vowel sounds<br>(a, e, i, o, u)<br><b>an</b> artist <b>an</b> elephant <b>an</b> island <b>an</b> octopus <b>an</b> umbrella         |
| <b>the</b> | specific thing<br>I see a boy. <b>The</b> boy is handsome.<br>only one of something<br><b>the</b> sun <b>the</b> moon <b>the</b> sky |



This is a dress.



My aunt is an artist.



I see a boy. The boy is handsome.



The sun is bright.

Circle *a* or *an* for each noun.

1. ( a / an ) pencil
2. ( a / an ) artist
3. ( a / an ) girl
4. ( a / an ) octopus
5. ( a / an ) iguana
6. ( a / an ) park
7. ( a / an ) desk
8. ( a / an ) eraser

A Choose and write *a* or *an* before each noun.

candle   igloo   bookshelf   eraser   scientist  
roof   ant   party   umbrella   office

**a**

a candle

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**an**

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

B Complete the sentences with *a* or *an*.

1. I have \_\_\_\_\_ bike.
2. You wear \_\_\_\_\_ dress.
3. This is \_\_\_\_\_ onion.
4. I see \_\_\_\_\_ elephant.
5. There is \_\_\_\_\_ iguana.
6. She has \_\_\_\_\_ coat.
7. Tom has \_\_\_\_\_ backpack.
8. He is \_\_\_\_\_ engineer.

## C Circle the correct words.



1. I see ( a / an ) man.  
( A / The ) man is tall.
2. He has ( a / an ) owl.  
( An / The ) owl is cute.
3. There is ( a / an ) snake.  
( A / The ) snake is long.
4. ( An / The ) sky is dark.  
( A / The ) moon is yellow.

## A Choose and complete the sentences.



—doll— eraser ruler orange  
—umbrella— robot kite jacket

- The girl has a doll, \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- The boy has \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

B Complete the sentences with *a*, *an*, or *the*.

- Susan has a coat. The coat is pretty.
- There is \_\_\_\_\_ elephant. \_\_\_\_\_ elephant is very huge.
- Mr. Brown has \_\_\_\_\_ truck. \_\_\_\_\_ truck is old.
- My sister has \_\_\_\_\_ iguana. \_\_\_\_\_ iguana is cute.
- I have \_\_\_\_\_ bike. \_\_\_\_\_ bike is red.
- \_\_\_\_\_ sky is blue, and \_\_\_\_\_ sun is bright.

## C Correct the underlined words and rewrite the sentences.

- Jack has a aunt. → Jack has an aunt.
- My uncle has an garden. → \_\_\_\_\_
- I have a idea. → \_\_\_\_\_
- There is a eagle. → \_\_\_\_\_
- An sun is hot. → \_\_\_\_\_



When you write a story, you need to use the right articles before nouns.

Complete the story with *a*, *an*, or *the*.

The circus is in town. We are at the circus!

There is a monkey, \_\_\_\_\_ bear,  
and \_\_\_\_\_ elephant.

\_\_\_\_\_ monkey juggles balls.

\_\_\_\_\_ bear rides a bike.

\_\_\_\_\_ elephant stands on a big ball.

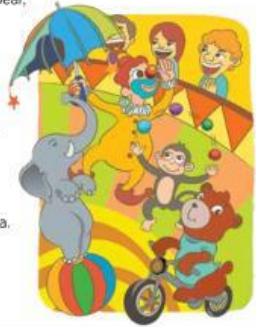
People cheer for \_\_\_\_\_ animals.

There is \_\_\_\_\_ clown, too.

\_\_\_\_\_ clown has \_\_\_\_\_ umbrella.

It is big and old. People

cheer for \_\_\_\_\_ clown, too.



## Review!

## Complete the chart.

|                                 |                                                                |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| consonant sounds                | <u>a</u> truck _____ coat _____ bookshelf _____ test           |
| vowel sounds<br>(a, e, i, o, u) | _____ artist _____ eagle _____ island _____ owl<br>_____ uncle |
| specific thing                  | He has a camera. _____ camera is very nice.                    |
| only one of something           | sun moon _____ sky                                             |

## Articles

**A** Write *a* or *an* and write the letters.1.  owl2.  snake3.  man4.  artist

a



b



c



d

**B** Circle the correct words.

- Nadia sees ( a / an ) woman.
- I have an uncle and ( a / an ) aunt.
- There is an elephant and ( a / an ) iguana.
- Mr. Pearce eats ( a / an ) orange every day.
- Rosemary wants ( a / an ) bike.

**C** Circle the correct words and complete the sentences.

- cook Ken is ( a / an ) \_\_\_\_\_.
- ant There is ( a / an ) \_\_\_\_\_.
- truck My father has ( a / an ) \_\_\_\_\_.
- mop Holly needs ( a / an ) \_\_\_\_\_.
- umbrella Mrs. Hunter has ( a / an ) \_\_\_\_\_.



**Change and rewrite the sentences with *a, an, or the*.**

1. Jodie wants hamburger. → \_\_\_\_\_
2. My mom has apron. → \_\_\_\_\_
3. Sky is dark. → \_\_\_\_\_
4. There is pear and orange. → \_\_\_\_\_
5. Mary sees moon. → \_\_\_\_\_



**Complete the passage with *a, an, or the*.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ sky is blue, 2. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ sun is bright.  
I see some clouds. 3. \_\_\_\_\_ clouds look like many animals.  
Look! There is 4. \_\_\_\_\_ sheep. There is \_\_\_\_\_ elephant.  
There is 6. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. bear. There is 7. \_\_\_\_\_ alligator.  
I see 8. \_\_\_\_\_ zoo in 9. \_\_\_\_\_ sky.

### Test Station



**Choose the correct answers.**

- |                                |                         |                           |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Brian has _____ umbrella.   | <input type="radio"/> a | <input type="radio"/> an  |
| 2. They need _____ house.      | <input type="radio"/> a | <input type="radio"/> an  |
| 3. Jessica looks at _____ sun. | <input type="radio"/> a | <input type="radio"/> the |



**Choose the wrong sentences.**

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|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| 4. <input type="radio"/> She wants a apple. | 5. <input type="radio"/> We see a woman.     |
| <input type="radio"/> There is a farm.      | <input type="radio"/> My uncle has an flute. |