

Exercise 2: Write a / an, some, or the in the blanks.

1. I had a banana and apple. I gave the banana to Mary. I ate the apple.

2. I had some bananas and some apples. I gave the bananas to Mary. I ate the apples.

3. I have _____ desk and _____ bed in my room. _____ desk is hard.
_____ bed is hard, too, even though it's supposed to be soft.

4. I forgot to bring my things with me to class yesterday, so I borrowed _____ pen and
_____ paper from Joe. I returned _____ pen, but I used _____ paper for
my homework.

5. A: What did you do last weekend?

B: I went on _____ picnic Saturday and saw _____ movie Sunday.

A: Did you have fun?

B: _____ picnic was fun, but _____ movie was boring.

6. Yesterday I saw _____ dog and _____ cat. _____ dog was chasing
_____ cat. _____ cat was chasing _____ mouse. _____ mouse ran
into _____ hole, but _____ hole was very small. _____ cat couldn't get
into _____ hole, so it ran up _____ tree. _____ dog tried to climb
_____ tree too, but it couldn't.

7. I bought _____ bag of flour and _____ sugar to make _____ cookies.
_____ sugar was okay, but I had to return _____ flour. When I opened
_____ flour, I found _____ little bugs in it. I took it back to the people at the
store and showed them _____ little bugs. They gave me _____ new bag of flour.
_____ new bag didn't have any bugs in it.