

## CHAPTER 2: ARTICLES (MẠO TỪ)

### LESSON 8: INDEFINITE AND DEFINITE ARTICLES (1)

#### 1. Things to remember:

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



**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.

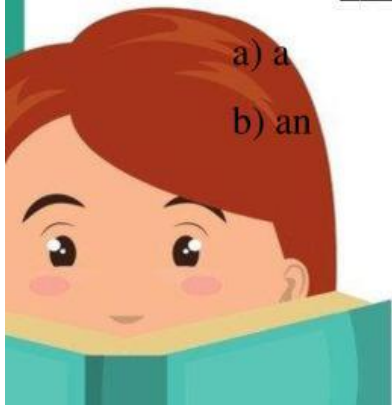
a) a

b) an

8. She has \_\_\_\_\_ exercise book in her school bag.

a) a

b) an



### 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.





### 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

