

a/an – the – one/ones

- We use **a/an** with singular countable nouns when we talk about them in general. **He asked for a cup of tea.**
- We use **the** with countable or uncountable nouns when we talk about something specific; that is, when the noun is mentioned for a second time or is already known.
I have a book in my bag. The book is very heavy.
- We use **the** with:
a) the names of: rivers (**the Seine**), seas (**the Red Sea**), oceans (**the Pacific**), mountain ranges (**the Alps**), deserts (**the Sahara**), groups of islands (**the Dodecanese**), museums/art galleries (**the Louvre**), unique places (**the Acropolis**), cinemas/theatres (**the Plaza**), musical instruments (**the guitar**), dances (**the flamenco**) and families (**the Beckhams**)
b) the superlative: (**the most beautiful girl, she speaks the most loudly**).
- We don't use **the** with:
a) the names of: countries (**Italy**), cities (**Madrid**), parks (**Hyde Park**), mountains (**Mount Everest**), individual islands (**Cyprus**), lakes (**Lake Victoria**), continents (**Africa**), streets (**Oxford Street**), months (**February**), celebrations (**New Year's Day**) meals (**dinner**)
b) fixed expressions (**go to school, by car/bus, on foot**).
- We use **one** in the singular and **ones** in the plural to avoid repeating a noun when it is clear what we mean.
Do you like the white shirt or the one with the floral patterns?

Type **a, an, the, one, ones** or enter a hyphen (-) if no article is needed.

If you buy two bottles of water, you get a third _____ free.

1. These dresses are expensive. Are there any cheap _____ ?
2. Jack has three pens - a red _____ and two green _____.
3. I would like to have a cupcake - the red _____ looks great.
4. I would like to have some cupcakes - the green _____ look great.
5. Where is Jennifer?' 'She's in _____ kitchen.'
6. Do you want to have _____ lunch with me?
7. What time do you go _____ to bed?
8. What are you going to do _____ next Saturday?
9. I want to learn how to play _____ piano.
10. We want to buy _____ new car.
11. My mother is _____ doctor and my father is _____ author.
12. I didn't know that _____ Lake Michigan was one of _____ Great Lakes until we went there last year.
13. We stayed at _____ Plaza, a world famous hotel near _____ Central Park.
14. I always enjoy driving over _____ Golden Gate Bridge. It has a lovely view over _____ San Francisco and _____ Pacific.
15. Although she hates museums, on her second day in Paris, Cindy visited _____ Louvre.
16. A: Have you ever heard of _____ Malta?
B: Yes, it's an island in _____ Mediterranean Sea.

17. When we went hiking in _____ Alps, we saw many famous mountains including _____ Mont Blanc.
18. We explored _____ Fish River, _____ Namib Desert and _____ Etosha National Park.
19. Do you want to meet for dinner on _____ Wednesday? Or if you prefer, we could get together _____ next Monday.
20. What's _____ longest river in _____ world? Is it _____ Amazon or _____ Nile? I'm terrible at _____ geography.
21. Every year, _____ Smiths go camping in _____ Yellowstone National Park.