Articles (B2)

1. Complete with “a / an / the” or “-” for no article.

1) _____ cheetah can run faster than any other animal.
2) _____ cheetah is the fastest animal on land.
3) _____ cheetahs can run faster than any other animals.
4) Can you close _____ door, please?
5) Do you know _____ actor who played the lead role in “Titanic” and “Inception”?
6) He has had an accident, so he is in _____ hospital now.
7) He has had an accident, so I am visiting him in _____ hospital.
8) I would be happy for _____ ideas or _____ information.
9) In the Ski Break, I stayed at _____ home and I bought something online by _____ card.
10) She is _____ engineer.
11) The Shanghai Maglev Train can go at 430 kilometres _____ hour.
12) We had _____ breakfast on the patio _____ last summer.
13) What _____ f*ck!
14) What _____ surprise!
15) While it was raining, I saw _____ man without _____ umbrella.
16) Would you like to travel to _____ Moon?
17) Yesterday I saw _____ dog in a garden. _____ dog was barking at me.

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2. Match each rule below with a sentence from above.

"A / AN"

- when we refer to **one** of something (also in negative expressions)
- when we refer to something that we **mention for the first time** *
- when we refer to something as a **classification**, e.g. a job
- when we talk **in general** and we mention one typical member of a group **
- in an **exclamation** starting with "what" ***
- as a synonym for "**per**"

"THE"

- when we refer to something that we have **mentioned earlier** *
- when we refer to something that is **clear from the situation**
- when we refer to something that is **unique**, so everyone knows which one we mean
- when we **define which one** we mean
- when we refer to a **physical place** ****
- when we talk **in general** and we mention one member of a group as a general example **
- in a **swearing** exclamation starting with "what" ***

Zero Article

- with **plural** or **uncountable** nouns
- when we talk **in general** and we refer to a group with a plural / uncountable noun **
- when we use a **place name for an abstract concept**, e.g. art form, service ****
- in **fixed expressions**
- with **meals**, **days**, and **months**, especially before "**next** / **last**"

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