

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
a	consonant sounds a bike a dress a park a test a coat
an	vowel sounds (a, e, i, o, u) an artist an elephant an island an octopus an umbrella
the	specific thing I see a boy. The boy is handsome. only one of something the sun the moon the 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.

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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.

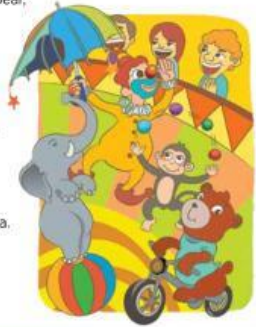
People cheer for _____ animals.

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 (a, e, i, o, u)	_____ artist _____ eagle _____ island _____ owl _____ 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. (a) a (b) an
2. They need _____ house. (a) a (b) an
3. Jessica looks at _____ sun. (a) a (b) the



Choose the wrong sentences.

4. (a) She wants a apple. 5. (a) We see a woman.
(b) There is a farm. (b) My uncle has an flute.