

Practice 8 – NOUNS and DETERMINERS 1

Practice 1: Some of these sentences need **a/an**. Correct the sentences where necessary.

- 1 Joe goes everywhere by bike. He doesn't have car.
- 2 Helen was listening to music when I arrived.
- 3 We went to very nice restaurant last weekend.
- 4 I brush my teeth with toothpaste.
- 5 I use toothbrush to brush my teeth.
- 6 Can you tell me if there's bank near here?
- 7 My brother works for insurance company.
- 8 I don't like violence.
- 9 When we were in Rome, we stayed in big hotel.
- 10 If you have problem, I'll try and help you.
- 11 I like your suggestion. It's interesting idea.
- 12 Can you smell paint?
- 13 I like volleyball. It's good game.
- 14 Lisa doesn't usually wear jewellery.
- 15 Jane was wearing beautiful necklace.
- 16 Does this city have airport?

He doesn't have **a** car.

OK

Practice 2: Complete the sentences using the following words. Use **a/an** where necessary.

accident	biscuit	blood	coat	decision	electricity
ice	interview	key	moment	music	question

- 1 The road is closed. There's been **an accident**.
- 2 Listen! Can you hear **music**?
- 3 I couldn't get into the house. I didn't have **key**.
- 4 It's very warm today. Why are you wearing **coat**?
- 5 Would you like **biscuit** in your drink?
- 6 Are you hungry? Have **ice**!
- 7 Our lives would be very difficult without **electricity**.
- 8 Excuse me, can I ask you **question**?
- 9 I'm not ready yet. Can you wait **moment**, please?
- 10 The heart pumps **blood** through the body.
- 11 We can't delay much longer. We have to make **decision** soon.
- 12 I had **interview** for a job yesterday. It went quite well.

Practice 3: Complete the sentences using the following words

air	day	friend	joke	language	meat
patience	people	picture	queue	space	umbrella

Sometimes the word needs to be plural (-s), and sometimes you need to use **a/an**.

- 1 I had a camera with me, but I didn't take any **pictures**.
- 2 There are seven **people** in a week.
- 3 A vegetarian is a person who doesn't eat **meat**.
- 4 Outside the cinema there was **queue** of people waiting to see the film.
- 5 I'm not good at telling **jokes**.



6 Last night I went out with some of mine.

7 There were very few in town today. The streets were almost empty.

8 I'm going out for a walk. I need some fresh

9 Paul always wants things quickly. He doesn't have much

10 I think it's going to rain. Do you have I could borrow?

11 How many can you speak?

12 Our flat is very small. We don't have much

Practice 4: Which is right?

1 Most of my friends are students / some students. (students is correct)

2 Are you careful driver / a careful driver?

3 I went to the library and borrowed books / some books.

4 Mark works in a bookshop. He sells books / some books.

5 I've been walking for hours. I've got sore feet / some sore feet.

6 I don't feel very well. I've got sore throat / a sore throat.

7 What lovely present / a lovely present! Thank you very much.

8 I met students / some students in a cafe yesterday. They were from China.

9 It might rain. Don't go out without umbrella / without an umbrella.

10 People / Some people learn languages more easily than others.

Practice 5: Put a/an/some where necessary. If no word is necessary, leave the space empty.

1 I've seen some good movies recently.

2 Are you feeling all right? Do you have a headache?

3 I know lots of people. Most of them are - students.

4 When I was child, I used to be very shy.

5 birds, for example the penguin, cannot fly.

6 Would you like to be actor?

7 Questions, questions, questions! You're always asking questions!

8 I didn't expect to see you. What surprise!

9 Do you like staying in hotels?

10 Tomorrow is a holiday. shops will be open, but most of them will be closed.

11 Those are nice shoes. Where did you get them?

12 You need visa to visit countries, but not all of them.

13 Kate is teacher. Her parents were teachers too.

14 I don't believe him. He's liar. He's always telling lies.

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