


# Articles

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- ▶ A/An is used to indicate that there is one of something.
  - ▶ A + consonant: a school, a cat, a man, a city
  - ▶ An + vowel: an apple, an aunt, an eye, an elephant
  
  - ▶ The we use when we know or can see which thing we are talking about.
  - ▶ Can you see the girl? Open the door, please. Let's check the mail.

I Write the following words in the correct columns.

egg snake tiger umbrella old house new box  
small cat girl orange elephant big elephant

**a**

**an**

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II Fill in the gaps with **a** or **an**

1. Archie is \_\_\_ big dog.
2. Nick is \_\_\_ student at \_\_\_ language school.
3. Jane's mum is \_\_\_ teacher and her dad is \_\_\_ engineer.
4. We went to see \_\_\_ film yesterday.
5. There is \_\_\_ sofa and \_\_\_ armchair in the living room.
6. I wrote \_\_\_ email to my friend in Japan.
7. Ann's got \_\_\_ evening job as \_\_\_ babysitter.

III Correct the sentences. Add **the**.

1. Girls in my class are nice. \_\_\_\_\_
2. What's date today? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How old is boy? \_\_\_\_\_
4. They aren't on table. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Child looks like his father. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Clean carpet, please. \_\_\_\_\_
7. How much is dictionary? \_\_\_\_\_

IV Underline the correct article or no article.

1. Put *the/a* dictionary in its place.
2. It's *a /an* big red apple.
3. Whose *the/--* jacket is it?
4. There's *an/--* art gallery and *a/--* theatre in our town.
5. I go to school by *a/--* bus. *The/A* bus is often late.
6. I live in *an/ a* beautiful country. *A/The* capital city is very old.



V Choose the best option to complete the sentences.

1. Mary is \_\_\_\_ secondary school student  
A the            B a            C -
2. Has the town got \_\_\_\_ airport?  
A an            B the            C -
3. Mr. Brown didn't wear \_\_\_\_ suit this morning. He wore jeans.  
A --            B the            C a
4. Sarah lives in \_\_\_\_ old house.  
A an            B --            C the
5. John speaks \_\_\_\_ Chinese.  
A the            B --            C a
6. Children don't go to \_\_\_\_ school on Sundays.  
A --            B a            C the
7. Mrs. Miles stayed in \_\_\_\_ small hotel last month.  
A the            B --            C a

VI Correct the mistakes and show the place for articles.

*Example: Jill watched film in French yesterday.*

\_\_\_\_\_ a film     ↗     \_\_\_\_\_

1. There is new theatre in town centre.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Have you got lot of friends at school?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Let's eat at café next to cinema.  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Mark has lunch at school. Food at his school is very good. \_\_\_\_\_
5. That was interesting and fantastic film. Who was director? \_\_\_\_\_

## KEY

### I

**a** snake tiger new box small cat girl big elephant

**an** egg umbrella old house orange elephant

### II

1 a 2 a, a 3 a, an 4 a 5 a, an 6 an 7 an, a

### III

1 The girls

2 the date

3 the boy

4 the table

5 The child

6 the carpet

7 the dictionary

### IV

1 the 2 a 3 -- 4 an, a 5 --, The 6 a, The

### V

1 B 2 A 3 C 4 A 5 B 6 A 7 C

### VI

1 There is **a** new theatre in **the** town centre.

2 Have you got **a** lot of friends at school?

3 Let's eat at **the** café next to **the** cinema.

4 Mark has lunch at school. **The** food at his school is very good.

5 That was **an** interesting and fantastic film. Who was **the** director?