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Articles

THINK

Read what Pinki has to say about her toys.



I have **a** top.

I have **a** ball.



I have **a** teddy bear.



The teddy bear is my favourite toy. I love to play with it.

I have **an** engine.



I have **a** horse.

I have **a** duck.



LEARN

Notice the use of **a**, **an** and **the** in these sentences. These words are known as **articles**.

We use **a** with singular nouns that begin with consonant sounds.

- **a** boy
- **a** tree
- **a** horse

We use **an** with singular nouns that begin with vowel sounds.

- **an** apple
- **an** ostrich
- **an** umbrella

We use **the** before words that we have already spoken about.

- I bought **an** apple. **The** apple was very sweet.

PRACTISE

Fill in the blanks with a or an.



1. an apple
2. a pen
3. an hour
4. a dress
5. a sharpener
6. an umbrella

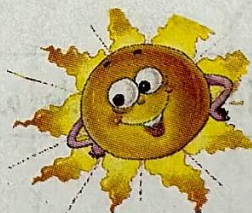
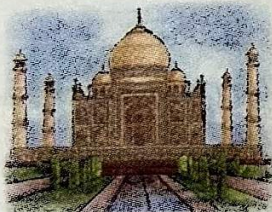
Complete the story using a, an or the.



Once, A tiger was sleeping under an apple tree. Suddenly, A mosquito came buzzing by. The tiger woke up angrily. He hit out with his paw, but the mosquito flew off. He hit his own nose. An elephant was standing nearby. He said to the tiger, 'Don't be so proud, my friend. Everyone is great in their own way!' The tiger got up and quietly walked away.

LEARN

Read these sentences.



The Taj Mahal looks beautiful. **The** Sun rises in **the** East.

Now, look at these rules for using the article **the**.

uses of
the

with nouns we already
know about

I have **the** pen
with a blue cap.

with proper nouns that are the only
one of their kind

the Moon, **the**
Himalayas

with names of famous buildings,
rivers, newspapers, holy books and
specific directions

the Bible, **the**
Yamuna

PRACTISE

C. Match the pictures to a, an and the.



a an the



D. Ria has returned from a trip to Mumbai. She is talking to her friend Tia about it. Complete the sentences using a, an and the.



I went to see the Gateway of India with my family.



Oh, wow! Where is it? How did you go there?



It is in Mumbai. We went to Mumbai by an aeroplane.

Where did you go after that?



We went to a beach. The beach was very clean. We had a lot of fun there.

What did you bring from Mumbai?



I got a doll, a hat and a bag from Mumbai.

E. Correct the use of a, an and the in this story.



Once, there was an mouse. A Moon looked like the piece of cheese to him. 'I wish I could reach a Moon,' said an mouse. 'I can help,' said a owl. An mouse flew with an owl into a clouds. But a Moon was still too high! 'Sorry, I couldn't help,' said a owl. 'I don't want to go anywhere when I have an friend like you,' an mouse said.

Once, there was a mouse. The Moon looked like a piece of cheese to him. 'I wish I could reach the Moon,' said the mouse. 'I can help,' said an owl. The mouse flew with the owl into the clouds. But the Moon was still too high! 'Sorry, I couldn't help,' said the owl. 'I don't want to anywhere when I have a friend like you,' the mouse said.

PLAY



Collaboration



Communication

Roll dice to start. Read out the name of the picture you land on using a or an. If you make a mistake, go back three places.



dog 	egg 	Move ahead 3 places.	octopus 	pen 	queen
cat 		frog 	man 		Go back to the START!
bed 		girl 	apple 		zebra
ant 		hat 	umbrella 		You are a champion!
START	igloo 	car 	Go back 5 places.		 FINISH