

Articles

Articles are a type of determiner. A determiner is a sentence part used to introduce nouns and noun groups such as: **five** children, **their** car, **his** party. Three determiners have their own subcategory: **a**, **an** and **the**.

A) Highlight the nouns and noun groups in these sentences. Remember to include the determiners.

1. Our puppy is learning to sit.
2. My friend is coming over to watch a movie with me.
3. We are jumping on the trampoline.
4. Do you have a pen I could borrow?
5. I will leave my shoes outside because they are muddy.
6. I don't know where I left my bag.
7. Our teacher is in a meeting.
8. The little boy fell off the swing.
9. I will be with you in a moment.
10. I spent a day working on the project.
11. What did you do on the weekend?
12. I have a new tooth.
13. What did you do in the holidays?
14. I have an assignment to finish.
15. The bus has broken down.



B) Write **a** or **an** in the blanks below.

1. _____ igloo

2. _____ teacher

3. _____ brown bat

4. _____ large, round object

5. _____ egg

6. _____ angry child

7. _____ kind lady

8. _____ island

9. _____ happy baby

10. _____ oven

11. _____ bright, red light

12. _____ cricket ball

13. _____ truck

14. _____ overripe banana

15. _____ empty glass

16. _____ sweet pie

17. _____ open cage

18. _____ pretty flower

19. _____ muddy shoe

20. _____ pink shirt

21. _____ emu

22. _____ apple

23. _____ orange

24. _____ warm, sunny day

25. _____ unicorn

26. _____ epic tale

27. _____ only child

28. _____ honest girl

29. _____ umbrella

30. _____ tasty meal

31. _____ dirty table

32. _____ amazing time

33. _____ lovely party

34. _____ funny story

35. _____ infant

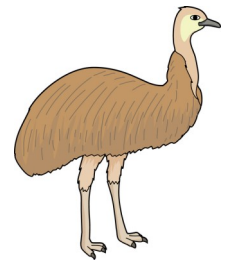
36. _____ snake

37. _____ blue car

38. _____ hot bun

39. _____ unit

40. _____ axe



C) Write **a**, **an** or **the** in the blanks to signal the nouns or noun groups.

1. _____ bright sun

6. _____ bright lights

2. _____ tall trees

7. _____ amazing sight

3. _____ internet

8. _____ pants

4. _____ octopuses

9. _____ sweet children

5. _____ sandhills

10. _____ axe

D) Fill the blanks below with **a**, **an** or **the**. Remember you can only use **the** to refer to things that everyone knows about or which have been made known. **A** and **an** may be used to introduce singular nouns and noun groups. Once they have been introduced, **the** may be used.

I have written _____ story about dogs. Dogs are my favourite pets. In _____ story _____ main character, Dave, can talk. Dave is _____ smallest dog in Australia and also _____ cleverest. He lives in _____ huge house. _____ house has three storeys and six bedrooms. Dave has _____ large sailing boat and often goes sailing on _____ weekends. _____ boat is bright blue. Dave has _____ pet of his own. His pet's name is Max. Max is _____ cat. _____ cat can talk too. Max is even smaller than Dave and almost as clever. Dave and Max both enjoy going out on _____ sailing boat whenever _____ sun is shining.

E) Fill the blanks below with **a**, **an** or **the**.

There is _____ large pile of leaves that I have been waiting to jump in. All of _____ leaves are bright and colourful but _____ purple leaves are my favourite.

