

**Topic: Articles (A, An, The)**

(a) 'A' and 'An' are used to refer to any one of kind. We use 'a' before a word beginning with a consonant sound and 'an' before a word beginning with a vowel.

**Examples:-**

She drove at thirty kilometers **an** hour.

He is **a** clerk and his brother is **an** accountant.

(b) We use 'the' when we speak of a particular person or object, or one already mentioned or known.

**Examples:-**

**The** book you wanted to buy to buy is out of stock.

Let's go to **the** swimming pool in Sunshine Park.

**Fill in the blanks with the appropriate articles.**

1. During ..... holiday we organized ..... excursion to ..... Hideway Caves near the city.
2. .... top girl of ..... school is always awarded ..... a prize at ..... End of ..... year. She has to be ..... all-rounder.
3. There was..... Storm this afternoon, so I took shelter at ..... Bus stop near the school.
4. “ ..... Miss Bright came for ..... interview this afternoon. We think she is ..... girl for ..... Job”, they said.
5. Many people just cannot stand ..... smell of ..... school hall. .... few contestants from ..... schools in the town will take part.
6. Every citizen has ..... obligation to serve ..... Country in ..... best way that he can.
7. I'm going to ..... matinee at ..... Grand Cinema.
8. My brother is studying at ..... University of London. He hopes to pass all ..... necessary examinations and become ..... economist.
9. .... score the score, ..... better.
10. One afternoon ..... beggar came to my house.

**Topic: Compound words (Some & Any)**

'Some' and 'any' are used before countable nouns and uncountable nouns , when the amount or quantity is not known.

We usually use "some" in positive sentences, 'any' in negative and interrogative ones.

"some" can be used in interrogative sentences when a positive answer is expected or when it is an offer or a request.

**Examples:-**

Will you please boil **some** water?

There are **some** biscuits here. I'll have some even though you don't want **any**.

From 'some' and 'any' we form compound words such as '**somebody**', '**somewhere**', '**anybody**', '**anywhere**', etc. They are used in the same way as 'some' and 'any'.

Exercises:-

**Put 'some', 'any' or any suitable compound words in the blanks below.**

1. .... boys wanted to pick the pears on the tree but there weren't ..... ripe ones.
2. She wanted to eat ..... grapes but there weren't ..... left.
3. Won't ..... please help me? ..... will do.
4. There is ..... In the house. I can hear ..... Sounds form the back.
5. He is ..... in the garden. He hasn't been ..... today.
6. Do you have ..... money with you? There's ..... I want to buy.
7. This job requires ..... with ..... experience, not just .....
8. I'm tired but I'll finish the work ..... I wish ..... would help me with it.
9. .... plants can survive in places where there is hardly ..... Water at all.
10. It isn't ..... good talking to him. He needs ..... make him see ..... sense.