

ARTICLES: A / AN / THE / NO ARTICLE

B1 | Teens / Adults | Grammar Question Practice | 20-30 minutes

Introduce things, identify known things and talk about life in general.

1. GET STARTED

Take turns asking and answering. Give details and ask a follow-up. You can invent personal details.

A: I found **a** new bookshop near the station.

B: Is **the** bookshop next to the bakery? I love browsing in bookshops.

A: Yes. There's **an** upstairs room where they hold talks. We should go sometime.

2. PEOPLE, PLACES AND THINGS

1. Is there **a** place near your home you would recommend? Describe it.
2. What is **the** place you chose like? Who would enjoy it?
3. What do you usually have for breakfast? Is it different at weekends?
4. What job would you like to try? Start with **a** or **an** if needed.
5. How do you normally get to work, school or other places?
6. What do you enjoy about music, sport or travel in general?

Keep talking: Which one do you mean? / What's it like? / Are you talking generally or about one thing?

3. FROM NEW TO KNOWN

Introduce a new thing with a/an. Use the when you mention that same thing again.

7. What is **an** interesting object you own? Where did you get **the** object?
8. Can you describe **a** good meal you had? What made **the** meal special?
9. What is **a** film you enjoyed? Who would you recommend **the** film to?
10. Do you prefer visiting cities or spending time in nature? Why?

4. RECOMMEND A LOCAL PLACE

Recommend a cafe, shop or other place. Introduce it, then answer your partner's questions.

Discuss the place itself and the kind of activity you enjoy in general.

Example: There's **a** cafe near me. **The** cafe serves great bread. I love fresh bread.

Swap roles. Notice when you move from a new thing to a specific known thing.

Answer help: There's a/an ... / The ... is ... / I like music / books / travelling.

Remember: A/an: one new singular count noun; the: identified; general plurals/mass nouns: no article.