



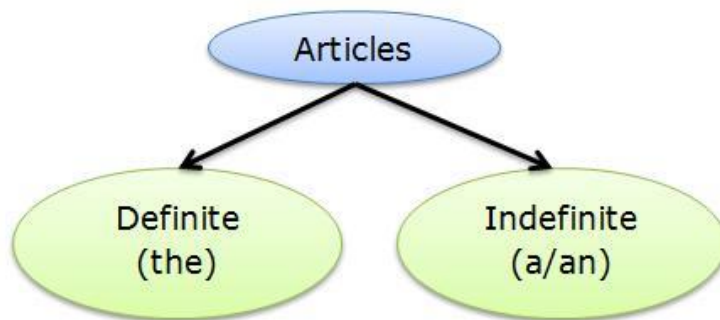
# INDIAN SCHOOL AL WADI AL KABIR

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<b>Worksheet</b>	<b>English Language: Articles</b>	<b>Note:</b>

## Articles:

An article is a word that modifies or describes the Noun. It is used before the noun to show whether it refers to something specific or not.

There are two types of articles: definite and indefinite.



We use **a/an** – the **indefinite article** – when we talk about something for the first time, or something that is part of a group or type.

I saw **a** good film yesterday.  
Do you want **a** drink?

We use **a** when the word that follows it begins with a consonant sound. We use **an** when it's followed by a vowel sound. This makes pronunciation easier.

She has **a** university degree.  
It took me **an** hour to get home.

We use **the** – the **definite article** – when the listener already knows which thing we are talking about because it was mentioned before or because there's only one of them.

I'm going to take **the** dog for a walk.  
Have you seen **the** car key?  
They go to **the** school next to **the** bridge.

When we talk about things in general, we normally use **a** plural or uncountable noun with **no article**.

Birds eat worms.  
Water freezes at 0°C.  
Children need a lot of sleep.

**No article** for continents, most countries, cities, towns, lakes, mountains or universities.

Africa, Asia, Europe  
India, Ghana, Peru, Denmark  
Addis Ababa, Hanoi, New York, Moscow  
Lake Victoria, Lake Superior, Lake Tanganyika  
Mount Everest, Mount Kilimanjaro, Mount Elbrus  
Cardiff University, Harvard University, Manchester University

Some countries are different. **Country names with United have the**. There are other countries which are exceptions too.

the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, the United States of America the Bahamas, the Gambia

Seas and oceans, mountain ranges and rivers have **the**:

the Atlantic, the Pacific, the Mediterranean  
the Andes, the Himalayas, the Alps  
the Nile, the Amazon, the Yangtze

**Exercise 1:**

- Julia and Steve want to buy a new home. They have come to see a house for sale.
- Complete the conversation below by adding 'a/an' or 'the'.

Julia: Well, here we are, number 378 Maple Street. I think this is (1) \_\_\_\_\_

house we saw on-line. What do you think of (2) \_\_\_\_\_ location?



Steve: It's in (3) \_\_\_\_\_ nice neighborhood. And it's close to downtown.

Julia: And there's (4) \_\_\_\_\_ bus stop not too far away.

Steve: How many bedrooms are there?

Julia: Um. There are three bedrooms. They're all upstairs, I think.

Steve: There's (5) \_\_\_\_\_ back yard behind the house, right?

Julia: That's right. (6) \_\_\_\_\_ back yard is actually quite large. It would be great for our kids to play in.

Steve: Yeah, I think so, too. Did you see any photos of (7) \_\_\_\_\_ living room online? What does it look like?

Julia: (8) \_\_\_\_\_ living room looks great. It looks bright and sunny and it has (9) \_\_\_\_\_ nice view of (10) \_\_\_\_\_ mountains. But (11) \_\_\_\_\_ kitchen looks a little small.

Steve: And ... I remember you said there isn't (12) \_\_\_\_\_ basement, right?

Julia: No, but there is (13) \_\_\_\_\_ attic where we can put things.

Steve: Hmm .... That's good. Remember, we'll have to put our bicycles away during (14) \_\_\_\_\_ winter. I wonder if there's (15) \_\_\_\_\_ school nearby.

Julia: Let's ask (16) \_\_\_\_\_ real estate agent when she comes. She said she would be here at three o'clock.

Steve: Hey, look! There she is now!

Exercise 2:

Complete each sentence by choosing a, an, the, or Ø (no word).

1. Can you see \_\_\_\_\_ sun when it is rainy and cloudy
2. Yesterday, I saw \_\_\_\_\_ beautiful blue bird at the park.
3. He is wearing a hat. \_\_\_\_\_ hat is brown.
4. What is \_\_\_\_\_ correct answer, twenty or twenty-five?
5. He always carries \_\_\_\_\_ few dollars for emergencies.
6. I love to eat \_\_\_\_\_ apples. I usually eat an apple every day.
7. Where did you put \_\_\_\_\_ ticket that I gave you yesterday?
8. My birthday is on \_\_\_\_\_ last day of September.
9. Ferdinand was \_\_\_\_\_ only student in our class to get an A+ on the exam.
10. Maree usually eats \_\_\_\_\_ sandwich at lunch.
11. What is \_\_\_\_\_ meaning of this word?
12. We had \_\_\_\_\_ great time on our summer holiday!
13. He has to go to a very important meeting on \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday.
14. 'A' is \_\_\_\_\_ first letter of the alphabet.
15. Could you please give this paper to \_\_\_\_\_ Emily?

Exercise 3:

Complete the following paragraph by choosing a, an, the, or Ø (no word).

1. Moving to \_\_\_\_\_ United States was \_\_\_\_\_ most exciting thing I have ever done. I moved last year to \_\_\_\_\_ New York. New York is \_\_\_\_\_ exciting city, full of \_\_\_\_\_ adventure. In fact, I saw \_\_\_\_\_ famous actor on \_\_\_\_\_ street yesterday!
2. Today, I have \_\_\_\_\_ job interview at \_\_\_\_\_ financial company. \_\_\_\_\_ company has offices all over \_\_\_\_\_ world. I'm not sure that I have \_\_\_\_\_ skills to get hired. I hope so. \_\_\_\_\_ company 's office is on \_\_\_\_\_ Main Street. That's \_\_\_\_\_ same street my friend works on.
3. If I get hired, I could meet him after \_\_\_\_\_ work for dinner. That would be great. He's from \_\_\_\_\_ Scotland. He works 8 hours \_\_\_\_\_ day, 5 days \_\_\_\_\_-week.