

UNIT 1

Articles



Articles are a type of determiner.

The words **a** and **an** are called **articles**. We use **a** before words beginning with a **consonant**.



a forest



a truck

We use **an** before words beginning with a **vowel**.



an orange



an egg



The vowels are **a, e, i, o** and **u**.

Focus

Copy the words. Write **a** or **an** before each word.

1



_____ elephant

2



_____ bush

3



_____ apple

4



_____ snake

5



_____ caravan

6



_____ omelette

7



_____ insect

8



_____ cabbage

9



_____ ant

Practice

Write these headings.

with a

with an

Write each word from the box under the correct heading.

elf cap san eel rug rat egg
table card ear inch box owl ant
log oar arm fox eye mat

Extension

A Copy these sentences. Write **a** or **an** to fill the gaps.

- 1 There is _____ ice cube in my drink.
- 2 We had _____ argument this morning.
- 3 _____ spider has eight legs.

We use **an** before a **silent h**:

It would be **an** honour to be made team captain.

We use **a** before **u** and **eu** when the sound is **y** as in **yes**:

A metre is **a** unit of measurement.

B Copy the words. Write **a** or **an** before each one.

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|---------------|----------------|
| 1 ___ uniform | 2 ___ house |
| 3 ___ hour | 4 ___ umbrella |
| 5 ___ unicorn | 6 ___ euro |

