

## ARTICLES

Articles are tiny words that precede noun.

FOR EXAMPLE:

1. Please give me THE phone on the table. ....specific
2. I need A phone. ....non specific

Articles types

Definite ....The

Indefinite ....A,An

### INDEFINITE ARTICLES

- General thing refer to non specific.

For eg.

I want to buy A car.

(Different types of car and don't know which one I want)

2. I need A stamp paper for this letter.

(General)

3. There is A book in my bag.

- Something very first time.

1. There is A lion . The lion is big.

2. I need A book , book is fascinating.

- Person's profession

1. He is A firefighter.

2. She is A singer.

(Use of singular noun (countable))

There are a doctor ✗

- she is a doctor ✓

Mike asked her for an advice. ✗ (uncountable).

- Mike asked for advice. ✓

### A vs An

A : constant sound

a book, a singer, a doctor

An : vowel sound ( a, e, i, o, u)

An idea , an elephant

Exceptions :

Sound- main focus not first letter.

Pronunciation matters.

A,An - an university (ju) ✗

a university ✓

A M.B.A or an m.b.a ( em)

a U.R.L or an url ( ju)

### ● INDEFINITE ARTICLES + ADJECTIVES

Article come before adjectives, followed by singular , countable noun.

For example.

A man .....a generous man.

A book.....an interesting book.

A watch.....an expensive watch.

### ● It is not used if no noun after adjective.

• The cat (noun) is black(adj.)

It's a black cat.

• The house is big.

It's a big house.

### ● Indefinite article + adverb+ adjective.

Before adverb followed by noun

1st sound of adverb it depends.

A generous man.

An unbelievable generous man.

An interesting book.

a very interesting book.

### ● use indefinite article followed by adverb such, quite.

Mr. Gupta is a such great teacher. ✗

Mr. Gupta is such a great teacher. ✓

Time is a quite delicious apple. ✗

Time is quite a delicious apple. ✓

### ● INDEFINITE + Countable noun

For example. :

♠ uncountable nouns:

◇ Liquids( water, tea, coffee, milk)

◇ Bulk food ( salt, sugar)

◇ Abstract ideas( information, motivation, advice)

◇ Feelings ( love, anger, happiness)

◇ Natural phenomenon (rain, snow, sunshine , fog)

◇ Collective noun( luggage, furniture, money)

◇ Material ( paper, iron, glass)

Uncountable noun\_ we use \_ some exact measurement

Like A cup of, A pinch of

Please give me some water.

Please give me a bottle of water.

Would you like some coffee?

Would you like a cup of coffee?

● some noun both countable and uncountable depending on context.

Example.:

◇ We have been to London four times.

(Countable specific event)

◇ I didn't have time to complete task .( uncountable)