**Lesson 5: Article *a* and *an***

In English, there are two indefinite articles: ***a*** and ***an***.

* We use **a** when the next word starts with a *consonant* or *consonant sound*.
  + I have a **b**ook. (book starts with a consonant ‘b’)
  + I want to study at a **university** in Phnom Penh. (university starts with a consonant sound)
* We use **an** when the next word starts with a *vowel* (a, e, i, o, and u) or *vowel sound*.
  + She needs an **a**pple. (apple starts with a vowel ‘a’)
  + An **hour** is enough to do exercise every day. (hour starts with a vowel sound)
* **a** & **an** are used with singular countable nouns only.
  + Sreypich has a pen.
  + Not: Sreypich has ~~a two pens~~.

**Exercise Practice**

**Instruction 1:** *Choose the correct answer of the following sentences.*

1. There is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ green English book on the desk.
2. a B. an
3. She's reading \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ old comic.
4. a B. an
5. They have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ idea.
6. a B. an
7. He is drinking \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cup of coffee.
8. a B. an
9. The girl is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pilot.
10. a B. an
11. Phnom Penh has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ airport.
12. a B. an
13. This is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ expensive bike.
14. a B. an
15. Look! There's \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ bird flying.
16. a B. an
17. My father is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ honest person.
18. a B. an
19. My friend likes to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ astronaut.
20. a B. an

**Instruction 2:** *Complete the gap with* ***a*** *or* ***an****.*

1. He met \_\_\_\_\_\_ nice girl yesterday.
2. They went to the zoo and saw \_\_\_\_\_\_ elephant.
3. She heard \_\_\_\_\_\_ awful thing about that film.
4. John is \_\_\_\_\_\_ honest boy.
5. He will go to \_\_\_\_\_\_ university in England.
6. She met \_\_\_\_\_\_ handsome young man at the party.
7. I read \_\_\_\_\_\_ interesting book yesterday.
8. She is \_\_\_\_\_\_ cute and quiet child.
9. I have to go now. My train leaves in \_\_\_\_\_\_ hour.
10. She hopes she will have \_\_\_\_\_\_ happy life with her boyfriend.

**Instruction 3:**

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| *Give 5 sentences by using* ***a***   1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

*Give 5 sentences by using* ***an***

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