

## Hello everyone!

Bed is a strange word! If we don't use an article, it means a place where we sleep, not a particular object:

- The children are in bed.
- We didn't get out of bed until after one o'clock.
- She got home and went straight to bed.

But when we are thinking about a bed as an object, we use articles in the normal way:

- She sat on **the** bed in my room [I choose *the* because the listener knows which bed I mean].
- I need to buy **a** new bed [I choose *a* because I don't know which bed yet, I'm not talking about a specific one].

The word *home* is also a bit strange. We usually use no article.

- They went home.\*
- I stayed at home.
- Julie works from home.
- Lucy is at home at the moment.

<sup>\*</sup>Notice we don't need *to* with 'go home' (not '<del>go to home</del>').

But we can use an article with *home* when it means 'the building that somebody lives (or used to live) in'. In this case we use articles in the normal way:

- We visited **the** home of Jackie Kennedy.
- My sister has made her flat into **a** beautiful home.

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Put in 'a' if it's necessary.	
1. Let's go	home.

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- 2. I put the children to \_\_\_\_\_ bed.
- 3. He's looking for \_\_\_\_\_ new home.

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## **Answers**

- 1. Let's go home.
- 2. I put the children to bed.
- 3. He's looking for a new home.

I hope that helps, and really good luck with your English!