

# Articles

## Indefinite articles:

a is used before consonants (sound).

an is used before vowels (sound).

- We use it before countable nouns that are unknown:

Eg: **a** table, **a** car, **a** house.

- We use it before names of profession (jobs).

Eg: **a** doctor, **a** painter.

- We use it before measurement.

Eg: **a** liter, **an** hour.

## Definite articles: (the)

- We use it before adjectives to specify the category of people.

Eg: **the** homeless, **the** poor, **the** jobless, **the** rich.

- We use it before an object that is the only one.

Eg: **the** moon, **the** earth, **the** pyramids.

- When we talk about institutions.

Eg: **the** radio, **the** bank, **the** television.

- When we refer to a class of animals.

Eg: **the** tiger is a dangerous animal.

**Zero articles: (Ø)** no article is used.

- Before uncountable nouns. (money, oil ...)
- Before abstract nouns. (Peace, happiness ...)
- Before names of people & places.
- Before plural nouns.