

**1** Артикль **a (an)** употребляется только с исчисляемыми существительными в единственном числе:

- если предмет или понятие упоминается впервые:  
I want to give him *a book* as a present.
- если перед существительным в единственном числе стоит описательное определение.  
I'm reading *an interesting book*.
- в следующих случаях:

Единственное число — <i>a / an</i>	Множественное число — <i>no article</i>
I have <i>an</i> apple.	<i>I have</i> apples.
I see <i>a</i> boy.	<i>I see</i> boys.
I am <i>a</i> student.	<i>We are</i> students.
It's <i>a</i> pen.	<i>They/these</i> are pens.
This is <i>a</i> cat and that is <i>a</i> dog.	<i>These are</i> cats and <i>those</i> are dogs.
There is <i>a</i> cup on the table.	<i>There are</i> cups on the table.

**!** Артикль не употребляется, если перед существительным стоит притяжательное или указательное местоимение, другое существительное в притяжательном падеже, количественное числительное, отрицание **no** или местоимение **both**.

Give me *your pen*, please.  
I want to see *this book*.  
It's *Kate's bag*.  
*Both students* were late.  
There is *no water* in the bottle.

**2** Определенный артикль **the** употребляется со всеми существительными, как в единственном, так и во множественном числе:

- при повторном упоминании предмета или понятия  
I have a dog. *The dog* is big.  
He asked me several questions. *The questions* were difficult.
- при наличии ограничивающего определения  
I've found *the pen* I lost yesterday.  
*Ту самую ручку, которую потерял.*  
I can't answer *the questions* he asked me.  
*Те вопросы, которые он задает.*
- если понятно, что речь идет о конкретном предмете или понятии  
*The flowers* are so bright and beautiful.  
*Цветы, которые находятся перед глазами.*  
*The children* are so noisy.  
*Дети, которые играют здесь (сейчас).*

Вставъте а / an или the.

1.1

1. I'm looking for ..... job. I didn't like ..... job I had.
2. Kate is wearing ..... new dress today. .... dress is nice.
3. He has ..... nice house. There is ..... beautiful garden in front of ..... house.
4. This is ..... interesting book. .... book is ..... love story.
5. .... text he is translating is rather difficult.
6. Is ..... bag new? I like ..... bag.
7. He is ..... engineer. He says ..... his profession is interesting.
8. There is ..... hotel not far from our house. .... hotel is very comfortable.
9. .... car is very expensive.
10. I'm doing ..... exercise. .... exercise isn't difficult.
11. They are building ..... international airport here.
12. Without any warning ..... computer went down.
13. .... child is reading ..... magazine. .... magazine has ..... bright cover.
14. Bill is ..... very good specialist. I'm sure he can answer ..... question.
15. They say ..... library that is being built here will be very large.

1.2

Вставъте артикли, где это необходимо.

1

1. These are ..... very nice shoes.
2. .... questions are very difficult.
3. .... stories I must read are long.
4. I need ..... comfortable chairs.
5. We are looking for ..... children. Have you seen them?
6. Why do you like ..... small flats?
7. Put ..... cups on the table.
8. Let's give them ..... cups and ..... saucers for their wedding.
9. They sell ..... bicycles here.
10. They are ..... very strange people.

2

1. Do you know where ..... my watch is?
2. .... Kate's husband is ..... doctor. They are all ..... doctors in ..... their family.
3. These are ..... very good examples. Study ..... examples.
4. .... papers you need are on the table.
5. He has ..... long name and I can never remember it.
6. There is ..... mistake in ..... sentence. Correct ..... mistake.
7. Can you tell me where ..... station is.
8. Who is ..... driver of this car? You can't park ..... cars here.
9. .... keys to ..... exercises you are doing now are on ..... next page.
10. Do you remember ..... name of ..... street where we bought this washing machine?
11. He says he needs ..... new glasses. But ..... glasses they sell here are very expensive.
12. Remember to take ..... jacket to the cleaner's.
13. They say ..... party was a success.
14. Let's take ..... photograph of Nick and Jane. They are ..... nice couple.
15. I'm going to ..... airport. .... plane leaves in two hours.
16. I liked ..... presents I received on my birthday.