



## Articles for Class 4

**Definition of articles:** We have read that articles are: 'a', 'an' & 'the'. The articles are usually used before things or people. Articles are also used before nouns.

### Types of Articles

Articles are of two types:

1. Indefinite articles
2. Definite articles

### 1. Indefinite Articles

An indefinite articles refers to something typically a noun without specifying it or it lets us introduce a noun. These are 'a' and 'an'.

#### Example:

1. I had **an** apple today.
2. She visited **a** doctor yesterday.
3. A boy was scolded by **a** teacher today.
4. She gave her **a** bouquet of flowers to congratulate her.
5. The class took **an** hour to finish.

#### Use of 'a'

"a" is used before the word that is starting with a consonant sound.

#### Examples:

*a hat, a book, a kite, a boy, a woman, a man, a fruit, a jug, a pot, a bowl, a plate, a lion, a van, a pen, a girl, a peacock, a ball, a bat, a cat, a dog, a hook, a mango.*

#### Use of 'an'

"an" is used before the words starting with vowels (a, e, i, o, and u).

#### Examples:

*an apple, an elephant, an ice cube, an orphanage, an umbrella, an owl, an egg, an orange, an engineer, or an eagle.*

#### Some Exceptions:



1. We use *a unicorn, a one rupee note, a university, a useful task*, and *a one eyed-woman* because these are some words that start with the sound of constants, when learning about consonants we need to take care of sounds also.
2. We use *an MBA student, an hour, an honest police officer, an X-mas tree, an S.T.*, and *an S.C.* because these are some words that begin with the sound of vowels but their spellings begin with consonants.

## 2. Definite Articles

"The" is known as a definite article. It is used to refer to a particular person, place, or thing.

### Examples:

1. Look at **the** map of France.
2. Is this **the** place where you both met?
3. Am I **the** only one left?
4. We were passing by **the** forest.
5. **The** Amazon basin represents an area twice the size of India.

### Uses of "The"

**1.** The first use is when we talk about a particular person, place, or thing that we are referring to or it is already referred to.

### Examples:

1. **The** boy standing in the right corner.
2. I was talking about **the** white dress at the counter.
3. She crossed **the** road by herself.
4. This is **the** pen teacher wanted.
5. **The** river is flowing in the east.

**2.** It is used before a noun.

### Examples:

1. **The** ocean is looking beautiful.
2. We are looking at **the** moon.
3. So, this is **the** tree you worship.
4. **The** sky is pink.
5. **The** earth is a living planet.

**3.** It is also used before superlatives.

### Examples:

1. My father is **the** strongest man.



2. It is one of **the** most beautiful dresses I have seen yet.
3. We have **the** longest drives in our life.
4. She has **the** smallest pouch.
5. These **the** most precious moments with you.

4. It is also used to represent a whole class referred to by a noun.

**Examples:**

1. **The** sunflower is a beautiful flower.
2. **The** dog is one of the most faithful animals.
3. **The** flock of sheep was passing by.
4. **The** lion is the king of all animals.
5. One should follow **the** newspaper regularly to clear the exam.

5. It is used to place numbers.

**Examples:**

1. **The** first bench is empty.
2. **The** second from last is my friend.
3. **The** last person left at 2:00 pm.
4. **The** middle row is taken.
5. Do not make me repeat **the** same thing again and again.

6. "The" is used for mountain ranges, rivers, oceans, monuments, canals, groups of islands, and ships.

**Examples:**

1. **The** Ganga is one of the purest rivers.
2. **The** Andaman islands are best for holidays.
3. Her salon is located on the outskirts of **the** city.
4. **The** Taj Mahal is recently in the news.
5. This river passes through **the** Dhupgarh hills.

## Worksheet of The Article for Class 4

**Question 1:** Fill in the blanks with "an" or "a".

1. She saw \_\_\_\_\_ eagle flying.
2. My mother will return within \_\_\_\_\_ hour.
3. Steel is \_\_\_\_\_ useful metal.
4. It's raining. Carry please bring \_\_\_\_\_ umbrella.
5. She is giving him \_\_\_\_\_ one-rupee note.
6. She is as clever as \_\_\_\_\_ fox.
7. My mother is \_\_\_\_\_ MBA.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ empty plate was lying on the floor.



9. He bought me \_\_\_\_\_ ink pot and \_\_\_\_\_ pen.  
10. \_\_\_\_\_ year and \_\_\_\_\_ month later her husband died.

**Answers:**

1. An
2. An
3. A
4. An
5. A
6. An
7. An
8. An
9. An, a
10. An, a

**Question 2: Fill in the blank with 'a', 'an', or 'the'.**

1. Please bring \_\_\_\_\_ apple from the store nearby.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ red dress is mine.
3. In Florida, we lived in \_\_\_\_\_ mansion, \_\_\_\_\_ mansion was sea facing.
4. Have you seen \_\_\_\_\_ Burj Khalifa? It is \_\_\_\_\_ tallest building in the world.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ earth revolves 24\*7 around \_\_\_\_\_ moon.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Ganga flows near \_\_\_\_\_ Bay of Bengal.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ boy is playing in \_\_\_\_\_ park.
8. I ordered \_\_\_\_\_ plate full of noodles.
9. She looks as stupid as \_\_\_\_\_ owl.
10. My father is \_\_\_\_\_ B.Com graduate.

**Answers:**

1. An
2. The
3. A, the
4. The, the
5. The, the
6. The, the
7. The, the
8. A
9. An
10. A