



Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

An or A

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Aim

- I can use 'an' or 'a' correctly.

Success Criteria

- I can tell you what a vowel or consonant is.
- I can identify words beginning with a vowel or consonant.
- I can explain the rule for using 'an'.
- I can write independently using 'an' or 'a' correctly.

Using 'An' or 'A'



Can you write 6 consonants down in
under 20 seconds?

How do
you know that
they are
consonants?

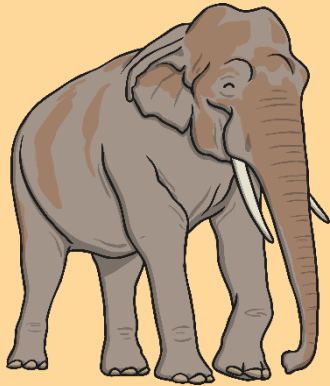
Consonants are letters (or sounds) that are not vowels (a, e, i, o, u).
For example j, d and z are all consonants.



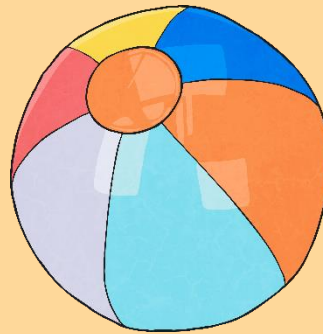
Using 'An' or 'A'

Play the odd one out activity.

Use 'an' or 'a' to find the odd one out.



elephant



ball

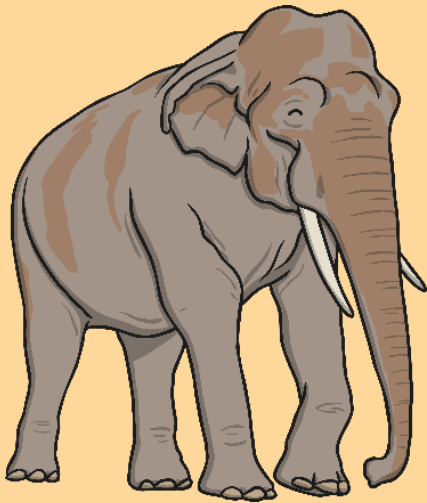


hat

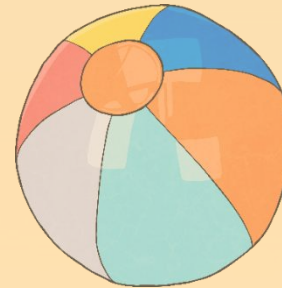
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The odd one out was...



an elephant



a ball



a hat

Using 'An' or 'A'



Play the odd one out activity.
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umbrella



unicycle



umpire



Using 'An' or 'A'

The odd one out was...



an umbrella



A unicycle is difficult to ride.

Although unicycle begins with a vowel, the **sound** is not a **vowel sound**. The 'u' makes a 'y' sound.

a unicycle



an umpire

Can you write a rule about using 'an' or 'a'?

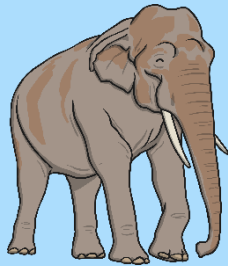
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Your rule about using 'an' or 'a' should sound like this:

Use 'an' before a word that starts with a **vowel** sound.

For example:



an elephant



an umbrella

an hour – 'hour' does not start with a vowel (a, e, i, o or u) but it does start with a vowel sound.



an hour because the 'h' is silent. Tricky!

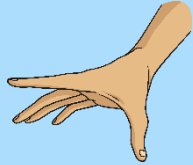


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Look at these words below and decide whether 'an' or 'a' should be used beforehand.



apple



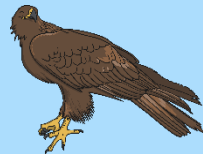
hand



cat



hour



eagle



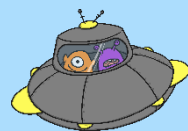
umbrella



dog



chair



UFO

an

a

Using 'An' or 'A'



The answers are shown below:

an



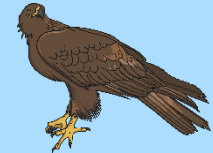
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hour

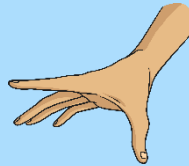


eagle

a



chair



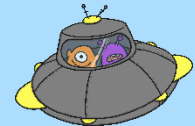
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UFO



Complete the activity sheet (write your answers down in your book)

Bronze

Silver



Secure It

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1. Fill in the 'an' or 'a' in the sentences below

- a) It was _____ honour to have a visit from the Queen.
- b) There is _____ mouse in the garden.
- c) We saw _____ ostrich at the farm.
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- e) She made _____ honest mistake.
- f) His new cat was _____ gift.

Challenge

2. Write a sentence with 'an' or 'a' in it.



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- g) She is looking for _____ answer.
- h) The lion is _____ large predator.
- i) An animal with a large trunk is called _____ elephant.
- j) She fastened _____ pearl necklace around her neck.
- k) The new baby is _____ girl!

Challenge:

2. Write 3 different sentences with 'an' or 'a' in them.

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____



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Gold



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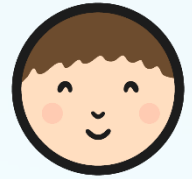
2. Write sentences with 'an' or 'a' using the following nouns. The first one has been done for you.

- a) *My little sister's favourite toy was a unicorn that was cuddly.*
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____

Extra Challenge:

3. Write a rule for using 'an' and 'a'.

Mini Test An or A



Use all of the information your have learnt and practised about 'an' and 'a'.

Name: Date:

An or A Mini Test

1. Tick the sentence that uses 'an' or 'a' correctly. 3
Total marks

The knight was a excellent fighter.

The knight was an excellent fighter.

2. Write a sentence using 'an' correctly. 1 mark

3. Write 'an' or 'a' in the spaces provided. 1 mark

There was enormous crash.

She was honest person.

He thought the referee had made unfair decision.

Total for this page

An or A Mini Test

4. Tick all of the sentences that use 'an' correctly. 2
1 mark

She is an unhappy customer.

He caught an cold.

She wanted an excuse to leave.

He listened to an radio.

The dog fetched an bone.

5. Write 'an' or 'a' in the box below. 1 mark

The little girl chose ice cream.

END OF TEST

