A, An, The and Where Words

Standard difficulty · 20 questions · 40 marks · Time: 44 minutes

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Write full answers in Sections B and C. Answers are on the last page — try every question first!

Section A — Choose the correct answer — 8 × 1 = 8 marks

1. Which is correct?
(a) an orange **(b)** an orange **(c)** a inkpot **(d)** an dog

2. Which is correct?
(a) an pencil **(b)** an ice cream **(c)** an house **(d)** a pencil

3. Which word takes “an” before it?
(a) window **(b)** kite **(c)** orange **(d)** banana

4. Choose the right word: Dev is ____ youngest child in his family.
(a) the **(b)** an **(c)** no word **(d)** a

5. The lamp is standing on top of the shelf. Fill in: The lamp is ____ the shelf.
(a) in **(b)** under **(c)** on **(d)** behind

6. The apple is inside the basket. Fill in: The apple is ____ the basket.
(a) behind **(b)** under **(c)** on **(d)** in

7. The cup is standing on top of the table. Fill in: The cup is ____ the table.
(a) on **(b)** under **(c)** behind **(d)** in

8. Which word takes “a” before it?
(a) window **(b)** ant **(c)** orange **(d)** onion

Section B — Short answer — 8 × 2 = 16 marks

9. Write “a” or “an”: (a) ____ igloo (b) ____ house (c) ____ horse (d) ____ arrow

10. Fill in “a” or “an”: Please draw ____ egg in your book.

11. Fill in “a” or “an”: I want ____ ice cream.

12. The ball is at the back of the sofa, so we cannot see it. Fill in the missing word: The ball is ____ the sofa.

13. The dog is below the sofa. Fill in the missing word: The dog is ____ the sofa.

14. The kitten is at the back of the sofa, so we cannot see it. Fill in the missing word: The kitten is ____ the sofa.

15. Fill in “a”, “an” or “the”: ____ earth goes round the sun.

16. Write a sentence using “between” to tell where your cap is.

Section C — Longer answers — 4 × 4 = 16 marks

17. Fill in “a” or “an”:
(1) Please draw ____ house in your book.
(2) Please draw ____ umbrella in your book.
(3) I can see ____ tiger in the picture.
(4) I can see ____ onion in the picture.

18. Fill in the words that tell us where:
(1) The stool is in the middle, with one of the two chairs on each side. The stool is ____ the two chairs.
(2) Riya is in the middle, with Dev on one side and Aman on the other. Riya is sitting ____ Dev and Aman.
(3) The puppy is at the back of the sofa, so we cannot see it. The puppy is ____ the sofa.
(4) The ball is at the back of the door, so we cannot see it. The ball is ____ the door.

19. Write four sentences about where things are in your room. Use “behind”, “between”, “under”, “on”.

20. Each sentence has the wrong word in the blank. Write the right word:

(1) I can see an window in the picture.

(2) I can see an dog in the picture.

(3) I can see a arrow in the picture.

(4) Please draw an girl in your book.

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Answer key

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Q	Answer	Working
1	**(a) an orange**	“an” before a vowel sound (a, e, i, o, u)
2	**(d) a pencil**	“a” before a consonant sound
3	**(c) orange**	“an” goes before a vowel sound
4	**(a) the**	“the” is used for something there is only one of, and before words like first, best and tallest
5	**(c) on**	“on” means on top of or touching
6	**(d) in**	“in” means inside
7	**(a) on**	“on” means on top of or touching
8	**(a) window**	“a” goes before a consonant sound
9	**(a) an; (b) a; (c) a; (d) an**	an before a vowel sound, a before a consonant sound
10	**an**	“an” before a vowel sound (a, e, i, o, u)
11	**an**	“an” before a vowel sound (a, e, i, o, u)
12	**behind**	“behind” means at the back of
13	**under**	“under” means below
14	**behind**	“behind” means at the back of
15	**The**	“the” for something there is only one of, and before first, best, tallest
16	**e.g. My cap is between the two chairs.**	Uses “between” to say where something is.
17	**(1) a; (2) an; (3) a; (4) an**	an before a vowel sound, a before a consonant sound
18	**(1) between; (2) between; (3) behind; (4) behind**	“between” means in the middle of two; “between” means in the middle of two; “behind” means at the back of; “behind” means at the back of
19	**e.g. My bat is behind the door. The lamp is between the bed and the table. My slippers are under the bed. My books are on the shelf.**	Four sentences, each using one of the words correctly.
20	**(1) a; (2) a; (3) an; (4) a**	an before a vowel sound, a before a consonant sound