

# Use of A and An

- **Vowels** are five specific letters from the alphabet: **a, e, i, o, u**
- **Consonants** are all the other letters in the alphabet. They **do not** include the vowels.

'A' – This is used before a word beginning with a **consonant sound**.

Example: a horse, a boy, a tall tree, a big ball.

All the words after the letter 'a' begin with a consonant sound.

'An' – This is used before a word beginning with a **vowel sound**.

Example: an apple, an excuse, an ostrich.

All the words after the word 'an' begin with a vowel sound.

**Q. Underline the correct word 'a' or 'an' and write the sentences in the spaces provided.**

a. There is (a, an) fun fair tonight.

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b. The doctor gave (a, an) injection to the patient.

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c. Sami has (a, an) exam on Monday.

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d. The family went for (a, an) holiday to Denmark.

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e. Katy wanted to see (a, an) palaeontologist.

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f. The students made (a, an) poster about road safety.

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