



- A: I'm here for an interview.  
 B: Take a seat. Would you like a cup of coffee? Or an orange juice?  
 A: Thanks. I'd like a glass of water, please.



- B: This gentleman is here for the interview.  
 C: For which job?  
 A: It's for the sales assistant job.  
 C: Oh yes.



- C: So tell me why you're the best person for the job.  
 A: I like working with people and I love working in sales.

## Presentation

Use <i>a/an</i>	Use <i>the</i>	Use no article (-)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To talk about something that isn't specific: <i>I'd like <b>a glass</b> of water.</i> (any glass, not a particular glass)</li> <li>The first time we mention something: <i>I'm here for <b>an interview</b>.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To talk about something specific or unique: <i>It's for <b>the sales assistant job</b>.</i></li> <li>The second time we mention something: <i>This gentleman is here for <b>the interview</b>.</i></li> <li>With superlatives: <i><b>the best person</b></i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To talk about plural and uncountable nouns in general: <i>I like working with (-) <b>people</b> and I like working in (-) <b>sales</b>.</i></li> </ul>

## Exercises

### 1 Choose the correct option.

- Could I have *a / - / the* glass of juice, please?
- Mum! There's *a / an / the* woman on *a / an / the* phone for you.
- There are lots of jobs in *a / - / the* tourism.
- I'm applying for *an / - / the* job of marketing manager.
- I love working in *a / - / the* teams.
- Can I ask you *a / - / the* question?
- This is *a / - / the* best job I've ever had.
- I've got *a / - / the* problem with my computer.
- I've got *a / - / the* same problem I had last week.
- What's *a / - / the* time?
- A: Hello, can I speak to *a / - / the* manager, please?  
 B: I'm afraid he isn't in *an / - / the* office today.

2  Add *a* or *the* to the conversations where necessary.

- 1 A: Shall we go to see film?  
B: Yes, OK. What do you want to see?
- 2 A: Did you enjoy show?  
B: Yes, it was great. Music was fantastic.
- 3 A: Is there bus stop near here?  
B: Yes, nearest bus stop is on corner, opposite police station.
- 4 A: Is that new mobile phone? Where did you get it?  
B: In shop in town centre. It's new shop. It opened last week.
- 5 A: This is first time I've been to this restaurant. Is it new?  
B: No, it's been here for years. Friend brought me here once after work.
- 6 A: Look! There's man waving at you over there, on other side of street.  
B: Who? Man with black dog?

3 Complete the text with *the* or – (zero article).



**Name:** Fred

**Favourite food:** I love <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ homemade food. I particularly love <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ food my grandmother makes. I hate <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ burgers and <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ chips and <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ coffee from <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ machine at work.

**Likes and dislikes:** I love <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ dancing and spending time with my friends. I especially love going to <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ park and listening to <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ music on my mp3 player.

**Free time activities:** I like to keep fit. I play <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ basketball twice a week and go swimming in <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ local pool every morning. I spend <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ hours playing <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ games on my computer and I love watching <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ DVDs.