

LECTURE 1
A
AN
THE

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A/an and the

A/an and the are articles

They are a type of determiner and they go before a noun.

□ A/an before a noun shows that what is referred to is not already known to the speaker, listener,

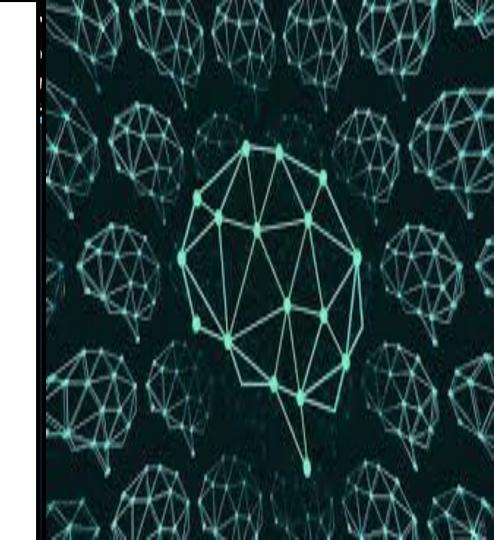
✓ Do you have **a** car?

✓ A:Do you live in a house?

✓ B: No, actually, I live in an apartment.:

• *The* before a noun shows that what is referred to *is already known*.

Where did we park the car?



•A/An/The
Should <u>not</u> be used neither <u>with</u>
<u>verbs</u> nor <u>defined nouns</u>.

London .. X (a - an - the) live (v.) .. X (a - an - the)



The use of (a – an) ia based on the pronunciation / the phonetic transcript

For example:
One .. /w^n/ .. A one

Eight .. /eit/ .. An eight

Vowel sounds: <u>a,e,i,o,u</u>

