

ÔN TẬP VỀ MẠO TỪ

I. Tóm tắt bài giảng

Khái quát lại cách dùng a/ an/ the

1. Mạo từ không xác định a/an dùng với danh từ đếm được số ít.

Lưu ý: Dùng a hay an là theo phiên âm. Ví dụ: an hour, an heir, an SOS, an MP

2. Các trường hợp dùng a/ an hay gặp:

- A lot of (Dùng với cả danh từ đếm được và không đếm được) = Lots of
- A great deal of: Dùng với danh từ không đếm được
- A couple of. Ví dụ: a couple of times, a couple of things
- A dozen. Ví dụ: a dozen people...
- A/one + hundred/ thousand + Danh từ **số nhiều**. Ví dụ: The book has a/ one hundred pages.

Lưu ý: Ta dùng a, one, two,...hundred/ thousand (không có 's' ở cuối hundred/ thousand). Ta dùng 'Hundreds/ thousands+ of' khi không có số hoặc các từ chỉ lượng đứng trước. Ví dụ:

Four hundred people are expected to attend.

This vase is worth several hundred dollars.

There were thousands of people there.

- A half (Ví dụ: an hour and a half); $1/3$: a third; $1/5$: a fifth

3. Dùng the với danh từ đã được xác định. (Danh từ đó có thể được xác định bởi cụm giới từ, bởi mệnh đề quan hệ đứng sau bổ nghĩa cho, hoặc khi người nói và người nghe ngầm hiểu vật được nhắc đến là gì)

Lưu ý:

- 'The' + first, second, only, last + Danh từ.
- In 1990 (Không có 'the') nhưng In the 1990s: Vào những năm 90 (có 'the')
- The + danh từ đếm được số ít: để chỉ loài. Ví dụ: the whale = loài cá voi. Tuy nhiên loài người thì ta không dùng the man. Ví dụ: What do you know about the origins of man? (not 'the man').
- Dùng 'The + adj' để chỉ người

Ví dụ: The young have the future in their hands.

The French are famous for their food.

4. Các trường hợp dùng và không dùng 'the'

Dùng 'the'	Không dùng 'the'
Dùng 'the' với tên đại dương (ocean), biển (sea), sông (river), kênh đào (canal), sa mạc (desert): The Red Sea, the Atlantic (Ocean), the Amazon (river), the Sahara (Desert)...	Không dùng 'the' khi tên núi, hồ đứng sau: Lake Ba Be, Mountain Everest,...
Dùng 'the' với các tên số nhiều của người, địa điểm: ○ The Rocky Mountains/ the Rockies, the Andes, the Alps ○ Nhóm các đảo: the Canary Islands/ the Canaries ○ Tên nước: The United States, the Philippines, the Netherlands ○ Tên người: The Smiths (= the Smith family)	
Dùng 'the' với các vật chỉ có duy nhất: The Sun, the Moon, the Earth,...	Không dùng 'the' với tên các ngôi sao: Mars, Venus,...
The University of Ohio,...	Foreign Trade University,...
The first World War, ... The sixth gate, ... The second chapter, ...	Không dùng 'the' trước danh từ + số. Ví dụ: Gate 6, Chapter II, Room 126, size 43, World War I, ...
- Dùng 'the' trong các tên quốc gia có Republic, Kingdom, States, Union : The United States, the United Kingdom, the Soviet Union, the Czech Republic...	- Không dùng 'the' với tên thành phố, đường. Ví dụ: I live in Phan Dinh Phung street in Ha Noi. - Không dùng 'the' với hầu hết các tên quốc gia. Ví dụ: Vietnam, Singapore.....
Play the guitar, play the violin... (The + tên nhạc cụ)	I love Jazz, ... (Không dùng 'the' với tên các dòng nhạc). I hate chemistry, ... (Không dùng 'the' với tên các môn học)
	On Christmas Không dùng 'the' khi khái quát hóa về các

	danh từ trừu tượng: Happiness, freedom...
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II. Tài liệu đọc thêm

1. Ta dùng: the + danh từ đếm được số ít để nói về loại động vật, máy móc... Ví dụ:

The bicycle is an excellent means of transport.

When was the telephone invented?

The giraffe is the tallest of all animals.

The dollar is the currency of the United States.

2. Mạo từ thường không dùng với tên các bữa ăn: breakfast, lunch...

We had lunch in a very nice restaurant.

Nhưng ta dùng 'a' nếu có tính từ trước tên bữa ăn: We had a very nice lunch.

3. Ta nói: (go to) **the cinema, the theatre**. Khi ta nói **the cinema, the theatre**, không nhất thiết là đang đề cập đến một rạp chiếu phim hoặc nhà hát cụ thể nào đó.

I go to the cinema a lot, but I haven't been to the theatre for ages.

III. Bài về nhà

🚩 PHẦN 1: ARTICLES: A, AN, THE OR Ø (nothing)

Exercise 1. Put "an", "a", "the" or Ø (nothing):

- My birthday is _____ Sunday afternoon.
- It doesn't often snow here at _____ Christmas. We haven't had _____ White Christmas for many years.
- _____ Thanksgiving is in _____ November. The Church of England dates from _____ year 1534.
- A: I like driving at _____ night. The roads are quite.
B: Oh, I don't like driving in _____ dark. I'd rather travel during _____ day.
- A: Are you doing anything at _____ weekend?
B: I don't think so. Well, come over on _____ Sunday.
- _____ meals we had weren't very good. We had _____ breakfast in the hotel and that wasn't too bad. We usually went out for _____ lunch because _____ lunch they served in the hotel was always the same _____ dinner we had in our first evening, so we tried a few restaurants. On our last evening we had _____ marvelous dinner in a Chinese restaurant, but that was an exception.
- Rita plays _____ violin and her sister plays _____ guitar.
- On our trip to _____ Spain, we crossed _____ Atlantic Ocean.
- David attended _____ Princeton University.
- _____ Florida State University is smaller than _____ University of Florida
- _____ chair that you are sitting in is broken.
- _____ Civil War was fought in _____ United States between 1861 and 1865.
- _____ big books on _____ table are for my history class.

Exercise 2. Write a or an in the space:

1. _____ unreasonable decision	6. _____ X- ray	11. _____ elephant
2. _____ universal problem	7. _____ UFO.	12. _____ hospital
3. _____ unit of work.	8. _____ T shirt	13. _____ BBC programme
4. _____ eucalyptus tree	9. _____ happy girl	14. _____ UNESCO worker
5. _____ honorable man.	10. _____ H-bomb	

Exercise 3. Put in a, an or some or leave a space:

1. Have you got _____ camera?
2. Would you like to be _____ actor.
3. Bill's got _____ big feet.
4. Do you collect _____ stamps?
5. Tom always gives Ann _____ flowers on her birthday.
6. Those are _____ really nice trousers. Where did you get them?
7. What _____ beautiful garden!
8. What _____ lovely children!
9. _____ birds, for example the penguin, cannot fly.
10. Jack has got _____ very long legs, so he's _____ fast runner.
11. You need _____ visa to visit _____ foreign countries, but not all of them .
12. I'm going shopping. I'm going to get _____ new clothes.
13. Jane is _____ teacher. Her parents were _____ teachers too.
14. When we reached the city centre, _____ shops were still open but most of them were already closed.
15. Do you enjoy going to _____ concerts?
16. When I was _____ child, I used to be very shy.

Exercise 4. Put suitable articles into blanks:

1. John is _____ teacher. He's teaching in _____ school in London.
Every morning, he gets up at 7 o'clock, has _____ breakfast and _____ cup of _____ coffee. Then he goes to work by bus. He has _____ lunch at _____ restaurant (near _____ school). In the afternoon he works until 5 or 5.30 and then goes _____ home. He doesn't work on _____ Saturday or Sunday. He goes to _____ cinema or theatre. John has _____ sister in Oxford and _____ brother in _____ London.
2. There are millions of stars in _____ space.
3. I'm going away at _____ end of this month.
4. The sun is _____ star.
5. What did you have for _____ breakfast?
6. Have you got _____ car?
7. How much are those potatoes? 1.20 _____ kilo.
8. Can you think _____ rich should pay more taxes to help _____ poor?

Exercise 5. Put suitable articles into blanks:

1. He is _____ honest person.
2. My father went out to _____ sea when he was 14.

3. When do you hope to go to _____ university?
4. There's a strike at _____ hospital.
5. He is _____ one-eyed man.
6. There's _____ onion left in the fridge.
7. This is _____ useful method of learning English.
8. I've got _____ uncle.
9. Your shoes are under _____ bed.
10. There's a splendid view of _____ Lake Geneva from his hotel.

Exercise 6. Choose the correct answer:

1. The British Prime Minister live in Downing Street / the Downing Street.
2. One of the nicest parks in London is St. James's Park/the St. James's Park, which is very near Buckingham Palace / the Buckingham Palace.
3. Frank is a student at Liverpool University / the Liverpool University.
4. Mr. Jenkins reads Daily Telegraph / the Daily Telegraph but his wife reads Times / the Times.
5. We flew from London to Orly Airport / the Orly Airport in Paris.
6. Mary and Peter got married in St. Matthew's Church / the Matthew's Church.
7. Some children hate school / the school.
8. After leaving school / the school, Nora worked as a cleaner in hospital / at the hospital
9. All over the world, people are in prison / the prison because of their political beliefs.
10. The other day the fire-brigade had to go to prison / the prison to put out a fire.
11. On the way to London we passed through a small village with an old church. We stopped to visit church / the church. It was a beautiful building.
12. John's mother is a regular churchgoer. She goes to church/the church every Sunday. John himself doesn't go to church / the church.
13. Apples / the apples are good for you.
14. Women / the women are often better teachers then men/the men.
15. In Britain coffee / the coffee is more expensive than tea/the tea.
16. Most people/the most people still believe that marriage/the marriage and family life / the family life are the basic of our society.
17. Life / the life would be very difficult without electricity / the electricity.
18. Skiing / the skiing is my favourite sport but I also like swimming / the swimming.
19. Second World War / the Second World Ward ended in 1945.
20. Don't stay in that hotel. Beds / the beds are very uncomfortable.

Exercise 7. Put suitable articles into blanks if necessary:

1. After _____ lunch, we went for _____ walk by _____ sea.
2. Don't sit on _____ ground. It's wet.
3. On _____ Sunday my father stay in _____ bed till ten o'clock reading _____ Sunday paper.
4. He's got _____ job in _____ South and spent _____ next two years doing _____ work he really enjoyed.
5. My mother goes to _____ church in _____ morning and in _____ afternoon goes to visit _____ friends.

6. ____ postman's little boy says that he'd rather be ____ dentist than ____ doctor because ____ dentists don't get called out at ____ night.
7. This morning I bought ____ newspaper and ____ magazine ____ newspaper is in my bag, but I don't know where ____ magazine is.
8. My parents have ____ cat and ____ dog. ____ dog never bites ____ cat, but ____ cat often scratched ____ dog.
9. We live in ____ old house in ____ middle of town. There is ____ garden behind ____ house. ____ roof of ____ house is in bad condition.

PHẦN 2: MANY/ MUCH/ A FEW/ FEW/ LITTLE/ A LITTLE

Exercise 1. Put into the blanks with many or much

1. How ____ people are there in this room? 2.
There is ____ sugar in the box.
3. How ____ meat does your mother need?
4. How ____ glasses of orange juice do you want? 5.
There are ____ school boys in our class.
6. How ____ bacon does Susan have?

Exercise 2. Complete these sentences with little/ a little/few/a few. 1.

- We didn't have any money but Tom had ____.
2. He doesn't speak much English. Only ____ words. 3.
Nora's father died ____ years ago.
4. "Would you like some more cakes?" "Yes, please, but only ____.
5. This town isn't very well-known and there isn't much to see, so ____ tourist come here. 6.
I don't think Jill would be a good teacher. She's got ____ patience with children.
7. This is not the first time the car has broken down. It has happened ____ times before. 8.
The cinema was almost empty. There were very ____ people there.
9. There is a shortage of water because there has been very ____ rain recently.

Exercise 3. Chose a word or words form the box to complete the sentences. Some are used more than one.

Too much a few any How many too many Enough as much as
How much some too many as many as a little

1. "____ cigarettes do you smoke a day?"
"Forty".
"That's _____. You shouldn't smoke _____ at all. 2.
"____ alcohol do you drink?"
"About a bottle of wine a day".
"That's _____. You shouldn't drink _____ that". 3.
"____ do you weigh?"
"Sixteen and a half stone".
"That's _____. You should try to lose _____ weight".
4. "____ do you earn?"

- "Not _____ money to pay all my bills!". 5.
"_____ people are there in your class?".
"Forty".
"I think that's _____."
6. "_____ aspirins do you take when you have a headache?".
"About ten or twelve".
"That's _____. You mustn't take _____ that". 7.
"How old are you?".
"Seventeen. I'm old _____ to get married, but I'm not old _____ to vote!". 8.
"When did you last go to the cinema?".
"Quite recently. Just _____ days ago." 9.
"Do you take sugar in your coffee?".
"Just _____".

Exercise 4. Fill into gaps a indefinite quantifier: much, many, little, most, a little, a few, few.

1. It seems to me that we've had _____ assignments in English 2.
How _____ material can we be expected to read in one week? 3.
_____ books are not in the library.
4. I've had _____ headaches already because of stress.
5. _____ depression can be attributed to being overworked.
6. Our yard looks awful this summer. There are too _____ weeds.
7. I didn't use _____ fertilizer last spring, and that has made a difference. 8.
Also, I've paid _____ attention to how _____ rain we've had.
9. I'm afraid it's rained _____ times this summer, and the grass is turning brown and dying.
10. _____ experts say you should fertilize your lawn in the fall.
11. It didn't seem to do my lawn _____ good.
12. _____ advice you get from experts doesn't seem to help
13. _____ of my neighbors ignore their grass, and they have better lawns this year.
14. They say _____ knowledge is a bad thing.
15. I know _____ instances where that proves true.
16. _____ people know as much about computers as Tomas does.
17. But it does him _____ good when the whole system goes down.

Exercise 5. Choose the best answer to complete these sentences. 1.

- How _____ people are coming?
(a) lots (b) much (c) a lot (d) many 2.
There have been _____ crimes since the police new task force was created
(a) any (b) every (c) much (d) fewer 3. I
have _____ questions for you. Do you have a minute to discuss them with me?
(a) several (b) every (c) each (d) none
4. I go to the gym _____ day. I like my weekly routine and exercise makes me happy. (a)
many (b) some (c) every (d) lots of

5. _____ of the dogs are nice. We're training the ones that are not friendly.
(a) A lot (b) Much (c) Every (d) Numerous 6.
_____ of the kids at school are mean to me. What should I do?
(a) Much (b) Every (c) Some (d) Any 7.
I water the plants _____ other day. I think I'm watering them too much.
(a) much (b) all (c) every (d) lots of 8.
I bought a toy for _____ of you.
(a) each (b) every (c) much (d) any 9.
I like _____ of the cars. I don't know which one to choose.
(a) every (b) much (c) numerous (d) both
10. _____ complaints have been made about the noise level at this house. Please turn the music down. I'm going to give you a warning for now.
(a) Every (b) Each (c) Much (d) Numerous

Exercise 6. Choose the best answer to complete these sentences.

1. "_____ of you will graduate in June, but others will not. This is a competitive course, so good luck," the engineering professor said.
(a) Much (b) Every (c) Some (d) Any 2.
There is too _____ traffic in this city. I want to move to the country.
(a) many (b) few (c) much (d) a lot
3. There is _____ of noise coming from the house next door. Can you go over there and ask them to keep it down? It's almost midnight.
(a) much (b) many (c) fewer (d) a lot
4. You have to get a second job because we need _____ money to make ends meet.
(a) many (b) much (c) more (d) a lot 5.
I only have a _____ orchids. However, I want to buy more in the future.
(a) some (b) few (c) fewer (d) lesser 6.
Do you have _____ money to pay for your car insurance?
(a) a lot (b) fewer (c) enough (d) little
7. I need to get _____ gas. My tank is almost empty. I'm going to fill up at the gas station on the corner.
(a) some (b) any (c) much (d) many
8. We need _____ computers for the students in this classroom. There are 20 students in this class, but we only have 15 computers.
(a) a little (b) much (c) a lot (d) more
9. We should ride our bicycles to work more so that we can cut down on air pollution. There is too _____ pollution in this city.
(a) many (b) few (c) much (d) some
10. You have _____ of candles in your house. Why do you so many of them?
(a) some (b) much (c) a lot (d) many

Exercise 7. Choose the best answer to complete these sentences.

1. I get _____ cavities these days because I started flossing my teeth at night. (a)
much (b) fewer (c) any (d) a lot

2. Do you have _____ ideas you want to share with us about the new playground? (a) any (b) each (c) all (d) none
3. There were 12 cookies here, but now, there aren't _____ left. Who took all of the cookies? (a) any (b) none (c) every (d) numerous
4. I called you twice and, _____ time, I got the answering machine. (a) any (b) each (c) both (d) all
5. _____ of you will be punished unless the culprit speaks up right now. Who put this graffiti on this wall? (a) All (b) Every (c) Numerous (d) Any
6. I asked you the same question _____ times, but you didn't answer. Were you daydreaming or something? (a) several (b) each (c) all (d) any
7. I don't have _____ sympathy for you because you knew that he was bad news. Why did you start dating him in the first place? (a) none (b) all (c) any (d) many
8. _____ of the leaves on our trees in the backyard are turning brown. We have to water them soon. (a) All (b) Every (c) Any (d) Numerous
9. _____ people think that gardening is boring. I don't agree at all. (a) Any (b) Much (c) None (d) Some
10. You roll your eyes _____ time I ask you a question. What's wrong with you? (a) all (b) every (c) some (d) lots of
11. I don't have _____ energy today. I'm so tired. I think I'm going to take a nap. (a) any (b) none (c) some (d) all

KEY

PHẦN 1: ARTICLES: A, AN, THE OR Ø (nothing)

Exercise 1:

1. nothing 2. nothing, a 3. nothing, nothing
4. nothing, nothing, the, the 5. the, nothing
6. the, nothing, nothing, the, the, a
7. the, the 8. nothing, the 9. nothing 10. nothing, the
11. the 12. the, the 13. The, the

Exercise 2:

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| 1. an | 6. an | 11. an |
| 2. a | 7. a | 12. a |
| 3. a | 8. a | 13. a |
| 4. a | 9. a | 14. a |

5. an

10. an

Exercise 3:

1. a	9. some
2. an	10. nothing, a
3. nothing	11. a, some
4. nothing	12. some
5. some or nothing	13. a, nothing
6. nothing	14. some
7. a	15. nothing
8. nothing	16. a

Exercise 4:

1. a, a, nothing, a, nothing, nothing, the, the, nothing, nothing, the, a, a, nothing.

2. nothing 3. the 4. a 5. nothing 6. a 7. a 8. the, the.

Exercise 5:

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| 1. an | 6. an |
| 2. nothing | 7. a |
| 3. nothing | 8. an |
| 4. the | 9. the |
| 5. a | 10. nothing |

Exercise 6:

1. Downing street 2. St. Jame's Park, Buckingham Palace 3. Liverpool University
4. The Daily Telegraph the Times 5. Orly Airport 6. St Matthew's Church
7. school 8. school, at the hospital 9. prison 10. the prison 11. the church 12.
church, church 13. apples 14. women, men 15. coffee, tea
16. most people, marriage, family life
17. life, electricity 18. skiing, swimming 19. the Second World War 20. the beds

Exercise 7:

1. nothing, a, the 2. the 3. nothing, nothing, the 4. a, the, the, the
5. the, the, the, nothing 6. the, a, a, the, nothing 7. a, a, the, the, 8. a, a, the, the, the, the
9. an, the, a, the, the, the.

🚩 PHẦN 2: MANY/ MUCH/ A FEW/ FEW/ LITTLE/ A LITTLE

Exercise 1

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| 1. Many | 4. Many |
| 2. much | 5. many |
| 3. much | 6. much |

Exercise 2

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|-------------|-----------|
| 1. a little | 6. Little |
| 2. a few | 7. a few |
| 3. a few | 8. few |

4. a little

5. few

9. little

Exercise 3

1. how many, too many, any

2. how much, too much

3. how much, too much

4. how much, enough

5. how many, enough

6. how many, too many, as much as

7. enough, enough

8. a few

9. a little

Exercise 4

1. many

2. much

3. many

4. many

5. much

6. many

7. much

8. little, much

9. few

10. Many

11. much

12. most

13. many

14. a little

15. a few

16. few

17. little

Exercise 5

1. d

2. d

3. a

4. c

5. a

6. c

7. c

8. a

9. d

10. d

Exercise 6

1. c

2. c

3. d

4. c

5. b

6. c

7. a

8. d

9. c

10. c

Exercise 7

1. b

2. a

3. a

4. b

5. a

6. a

7. c

8. a

9. d

10. b

11. a