

01. Fill in the blanks with a or an.

- a. ___ one-eyed monster
- b. ___ only child
- c. ___ university graduate
- d. ___ house cell
- e. ___ used car
- f. ___ eager student
- g. ___ hurricane
- h. ___ usual mistake

02. Choose the article that correctly completes each sentence below.

- a. Beyond the ranch is (a, an) desert that gets only six or seven inches of rain each year.
- b. If you're stumped for (a, an) answer in today's crossword puzzle, call 1-800-500- CLUE.
- c. A head-on collision between two cars is much less likely to occur than (a, an) off-center collision.
- d. Colonel Lurie wore a blue striped shirt and (a, an) yellow polkadotted tie.
- e. By sitting next to (a, an) exit on public transportation, you make it easier for a thief to escape with your belongings.
- f. (A, An) kitchen decorated in American Country style is often crowded with baskets, primitive furniture, and other collectibles.
- g. Walter stores his extra cash in (a, an) empty cereal box.
- h. Sheila always wears (a, an) uniform to work.
- i. Each year (a, an) cowbird can lay as many as forty eggs in other bird's nests.
- j. It is (a, an) honor to be chosen to attend the convention.

03. Fill in the blanks with *a*, *an*, *the*, or leave the blank.

- a. Al is making fifteen dollars ___ hour at Chambers' Turkey Products.
- b. Jill makes it ___ habit to buy clothes on sale.
- c. To tell ___ truth, a bank savings account may not be the best place for your money.
- d. Helen showed ___ initiative when she decided to start a business of her own.
- e. Losing as little as ___ quart of blood can result in shock and unconsciousness.
- f. Over ___ last 20 years, more than 3 million people have attended the Country Dinner Playhouse.
- g. Major changes have taken place in ___ financial services industry.
- h. Dr. Richards predicts ___ extinction of the whooping crane.
- i. Most people believe that ___ liberty is very precious.
- j. Taking a hot bath is ___ good way to relax.
- k. Lower programming costs raised the net income reported by ___ major television networks this week.

04. Supply the article the if it is necessary.

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| 1. — Andes | 13.— Antarctic Continent | 25.— Antiles |
| 2. — Arctic Ocean | 14.— Asia | 26.— Bahamas |
| 3. — Baikal | 15.— Belgium | 27.— Bay of Bengal |
| 4. — Caucasus | 16.— Central America | 28.— Corsica |
| 5. — Crimea | 17.— Dublin | 29.— English Channel |
| 6. — Everest | 18.— Gibraltar | 30.— Great Bear Lake |
| 7. — Hague | 19.— Havana | 31.— Hawaiian Isles |
| 8. — Hudson Bay | 20.— Kalahari Desert | 32.— Ladoga |
| 9. — Lenin Peak | 21.— Maldives | 33.— New Zealand |
| 10.— Netherlands | 22.— North Pole | 34.— Pacific Ocean |
| 11.— Panama Canal | 23.— Persian Gulf | 35.— Philippines |
| 12.— Sahara | 24.— Sakhalin | 36.— Urals |