



Articles Pronunciation Interactive Worksheet **Answers**

In order to complete this worksheet, you should watch the series of pronunciation videos about articles in English. You should complete this worksheet at the same time as watching the videos.

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Video: A

EXERCISE A: Fill in the table. In column 1 you can see a part of the face. In column 2, you should write what this part of the face should be doing when saying the indefinite article “a”.

| A | Description |
|--------|--------------------|
| Mouth | 3 fingers' width |
| Tongue | Flat to the bottom |
| Jaw | Relaxed |
| Cheeks | Lifted |



Video: An

EXERCISE B: Fill in the table. In column 1 you can see a part of the face. In column 2, you should write what this part of the face should be doing when saying the second sound in the indefinite article “an”, which is /n/.

| | N |
|--------|----------------------|
| Mouth | 1 finger's width |
| Tongue | Tip on roof of mouth |
| Lips | Relaxed |
| Jaw | Tension |



Video: The

Fill in the gaps with the correct words or numbers about the pronunciation of the.

- ⇒ There are **two** ways to pronounce this word.
- ⇒ The first pronunciation is written phonetically as **/ðə/**. This pronunciation is formed with two sounds.
 - The first sound is **/ð/**. To create this sound, the tongue is **gently resting between the top and bottom sets of teeth**.
 - The second sound is **/ə/**.
 - To transition between these two sounds, we need to **drop the jaw and push out a little sound**.
- ⇒ The second pronunciation is written phonetically as **/ði:/** and also has two sounds.
 - The first sound is **/ð/**.
 - The second sound is **/i:/**. To create this sound, the cheeks are **very high and lifted**, the back of the tongue is **lifted and touching my soft palate**, the front of the tongue is **resting behind the bottom teeth**.
 - To transition between these two sounds, we need to **raise the cheeks**.
- ⇒ When we say “the bird”, the correct pronunciation of the would be **/ðə/** because **when the first letter directly after the word the is a consonant, then we pronounce the article as /ðə/**.
- ⇒ When we say “the elephant”, the correct pronunciation of the would be **/ði:/** because **when the first letter directly after the word the is a vowel, then we pronounce the article as /ði:/**.