

### Activity Type

Reading, listening, and speaking activity, group work

### Language Focus

Articles

### Aim

To review articles (a, an, the) by playing a board game where you complete true or false statements and talk about various topics for 30 seconds.

### Preparation

Make one copy of the game board for each group of three or four. Enlarge the game board to A3 if possible. Also, provide a dice and counters for each group.

### Level

Pre-intermediate

### Time

30 minutes

### Introduction

In this fun articles board game, students review 'a', 'an' and 'the' by completing true or false statements and talking about various topics for 30 seconds.

### Procedure

Divide the students into groups of three or four.

Give each group a copy of the game board, a dice and counters. Students will also need a pen and paper for keeping score. Nominate one student in each group to be the time keeper.

The players place their counters on the start square. The players then take it in turns to roll the dice and move their counter along the board.

When a player lands on a 'True or false?' square, they complete the statement with the correct article (a, an, or the) and read it to the group.

If the player is able to do this correctly, they score a point. If not, they must move back to their previous square.

If the statement is correct, the other group members guess whether it's true or false for the player. The player then reveals the answer. The students who guessed correctly each score one point.

When a player lands on a 'Talk about...' square, they complete the 'Talk about...' sentence with the correct article (a, an, or the) for one point. If the player doesn't complete the sentence correctly, they must go back to their previous square.

If the sentence is correct, the player then talks about the topic for 30 seconds for an extra point.

When a player reaches the finish, the game ends and the points are added up. The student with the most points wins the game. If at any point, the students are unsure of the correct article, they can ask you to adjudicate.

### Answer key

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| 1. an  | 9. the  | 17. an  | 25. a      |
| 2. the | 10. an  | 18. the | 26. an     |
| 3. a   | 11. the | 19. a   | 27. the    |
| 4. the | 12. the | 20. the | 28. a      |
| 5. a   | 13. an  | 21. a   | 29. the    |
| 6. the | 14. the | 22. the | 30. an/the |
| 7. an  | 15. the | 23. the | 31. the    |
| 8. a   | 16. a   | 24. the | 32. a      |

<b>Finish</b>	<b>Talk about...</b> 32. ___ trip you plan to take.	<b>True or false?</b> 31. I have never been to ___ Philippines.	<b>Talk about...</b> 30. ___ important problem facing ___ world.	<b>True or false?</b> 29. I love to visit ___ coast.	<b>Talk about...</b> 28. ___ useful invention.
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**True or false?**

27. I would like to live in \_\_\_ countryside.

<b>True or false?</b> 21. I had ___ cold last month.	<b>Talk about...</b> 22. ___ most expensive thing you've ever bought.	<b>True or false?</b> 23. I usually meet my friends at ___ weekend.	<b>Talk about...</b> 24. something you like to do in ___ evening.	<b>True or false?</b> 25. I once ran in ___ marathon.	<b>Talk about...</b> 26. what you were doing ___ hour ago.
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**Talk about...**  
20. what \_\_\_ teachers at your school are like.



<b>True or false?</b> 19. I eat junk food more than twice ___ week.	<b>Talk about...</b> 18. the last time you went to ___ cinema.	<b>True or false?</b> 17. I have ___ older brother/sister.	<b>Talk about...</b> 16. ___ new language you would like to learn.	<b>True or false?</b> 15. I use ___ Internet every day.	<b>Talk about...</b> 14. something interesting you've done in ___ last week.
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**True or false?**

13. I live in \_\_\_ apartment.

<b>True or false?</b> 7. I have seen ___ ancient monument.	<b>Talk about...</b> 8. ___ person you know very well.	<b>True or false?</b> 9. I have been to ___ USA.	<b>Talk about...</b> 10. how much ___ umbrella costs.	<b>True or false?</b> 11. I never listen to ___ radio.	<b>Talk about...</b> 12. what ___ student on your right is wearing.
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**Talk about...**  
6. \_\_\_ most beautiful place you have visited.



<b>True or false?</b> 5. I can play ___ musical instrument.	<b>Talk about...</b> 4. animals you can see at ___ zoo.	<b>True or false?</b> 3. I'm thinking of buying ___ new mobile phone.	<b>Talk about...</b> 2. what you usually do in ___ summer.	<b>True or false?</b> 1. I saw ___ interesting film recently.	<b>Start</b>
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