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**DEPARTEMENT OF COMMON STEM**

**1ST YEAR**

* **Articles / determiners**
* **A**: used before a word beginning with a consonant or a vowel with a consonant Sound

• Singular and mentioned for the first time

Eg: a hat

a university…………..u=y

a european……………u=y

a one way street………o=w

a man

a baby

* **An**: I used before words beginning with a vowel –a-e-i-o-u

• or words beginning with a mute “h”

an apple an uncle

an island an hour

an egg an honor

the: used for singular and plural for all genders

the boy= the boys

the girls= the girls

the day= the days

• before superlatives or before (the first, the second..)

the first week

the best teacher

the only way

• to define something considered to be unique

the sky, the ocean, the earth, the sea, the stars

**Application of determiners**

**Activity : replace each word to its article**

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| **An** | **A** | **The** |
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Applications, Attachment, Access, Account, Activity, Administrative, Advertisements,

Basics, Benefit, Blog, Bookmarks, Browser,

Challenges, Chips, Codes, Complex, Computer, Connection, Cookies, Copyright,

Data, Database, Debug, Delivery, Design, Desktop, Digital, Disadvantage, Disk, Drive

E-mail, Effective, Efficient, Electronics, Elements,

Face Book, Fax, Field, File, Film, Floppy disk, Format, Function key

Graphics,

Hackers, Hard disk, Hardware, History, Home page, Host, Hypertext

Icons, Information, Innovation, Input, Instruction, Interface, Internet, IPAD, Issues

Job, Junk mail

Keyboard, Keypad, Keyword, Knowledge

Laptop, Laser, Layout, Link,

Market, Material, Measurement, Media, Memory, Misuse, Monitor,

Networks, New, Newsgroup, Newspaper

Obsession, Operating system, Opportunity, Option, Output,

Password, Performance, Popularity, Privacy, Problems, Processor, Product, Program, Programmer, Project, Projector, Promote, Protocol,

Rate, Record, Reference, Remote, Research, Resolution, Resource, sender, Review

Satellite, Screen, Script, Search, Search engine, Skills, Software, Source, Spam, Statistics, Support, System

Technology, Telecommunication, Telemarketer, Telephone, Television, Terminal, Terms, Tools, Topic,

Update, Upload, User ID, User name,

Value, Variety, Video, Video conference, Virus, Vision,

Warranty, Wave, Web page, Web site, Windows, Wireless,

**Part B: technical English**

**Translation and abbreviation**

**SMS:** short message service

**MMS:**media message service

[URL: uniform](file:///C:\Users\WIN-7\Documents\uniform) resource locator

**PC:** personal computer

**WI FI:** wireless fidelity

**GPS:** global positioning system

**Email:** electronic mail

**MB** mega bytes

**WWW:** world Wide Web

**PDF:** portable document format

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| **English** | **French** | **Arabic** |
| Technical sciences | Sciences techniques |  |
| Database | Base de données |  |
| Software | Logiciel |  |
| Hardware | Materiel |  |
| Sign up | S’inscrire |  |
| Sign in | S’identifier |  |
| Browser | Navigateur |  |
| Run | Lancer |  |
| Sign out | Se déconnecté |  |

Fill in the blanks with the most suitable ‘type’ noun in the box.

**Device instrument system technician tool vehicle**

1. A solar panel is **a/an** **………..**It converts sunlight into electricity.
2. The hovercraft is **a/an** **………..** It carries people over land and sea.
3. A lab assistant is **a/an** ……….He or she maintains the equipment in a laboratory.
4. A torque wrench is **a/an** **…………** It tightens nuts and bolts.
5. GPS is a satellite **a/an …………** It gives the location of objects on the ground.
6. An ammeter is **a/an** **…………..** It measures electric current.