



YEAR 4

Friday 6th March

Homework Tasks (Year 4):

- **GPS:** Please complete – and mark - the ‘A or An – tricky words and Alfie Ant’s Story’ tasks on the next pages of this document and record your responses in your homework jotter book.

*Please place your homework books in the homework box by **Wednesday 11th March***

- **Spelling:** A spelling test, on **Spring Term 2 -Week 2 purple words** will take place next **Thursday** (see the separate spelling sheet for this term – it is split into weeks and you will be instructed which week we are currently learning).
- **Times Tables:** Please complete - and mark- Spring Term : Workout 8 p40-41 of your CGP 10-minute weekly workout book and your weekly test on the **7x and 9x** table will be next **Friday**.
- **Reading:** Please read for 45mins throughout the week.

Tricky Words

Grammar: 'a' or 'an'

Most of the time, we add 'a' before words that start with consonants and 'an' before words that start with a vowel. However, which would you use in this sentence?

The boy had **a / an** unique talent.

In this sentence the article used should be 'a' as the 'u' in unique is making the consonant sound /y/. If the first letter of a word makes a consonant sound, you place 'a' before it but, if the first letter of a word makes a vowel sound, you place 'an' before the word.

Have a go at the sentences below. Should it be 'a' or 'an'? Circle the correct answer

1. I arrived **a / an** hour early for the party.
2. The story took place in **a / an** universe far from ours.
3. The police officer wore **a / an** uniform.
4. In the magical forest, Betty saw **a / an** unicorn.
5. Pinocchio wasn't always **a / an** honest boy.
6. On holiday, we needed **a / an** universal adaptor for the plug.
7. They were looking for **a / an** heir to the throne.

Alfie Ant's Story

Grammar: 'a' or 'an'

Here is a story about Alfie Ant and a very long journey that he went on. However, there are many mistakes when using the articles 'a' or 'an'. See if you can spot the mistakes in the story and change them.

Circle the mistakes and write the correct article above.

There once was a ant called Alfie, who liked to eat food. One day, whilst looking for food, he went through a open door and entered an supermarket. What an lucky ant he was! Quickly, he began to have an taste of everything he could find. He ate a orange, a apple, an lettuce, an egg and a avocado. He had an small nibble of each item but he didn't feel satisfied. Next, he went along a aisle with sweets and chocolate. On one shelf, he saw an unique chocolate bear which he had to try, but as he began to climb onto the shelf something caught his eye. Further along, he saw a enormous doughnut with sweet, sticky icing. He licked his lips and headed in an new direction. He climbed onto an sweet bed of blue icing with an coating of sugary sprinkles on top. He nibbled, licked, pecked, gnawed, chewed, and slurped up all the icing until there wasn't an sprinkle of it left. Finally, with an bulging tummy, he went to sleep right there on the supermarket shelf.



Answers

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