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### The First Semester Exam of Grammar

**Exercise 01:** Insert **a** or **an** if necessary.

1. I had . . . . very bad night; I didn't sleep . . . . wink.
2. He is . . . . vegetarian; you won't get . . . . meat at his house. He'll give you . . . . nut cutlet.
3. Do you take . . . . sugar in . . . . coffee?  
I used to, but now I'm on . . . . diet. I'm trying to lose . . . . weight.
4. . . . Mr Smith is . . . . old customer and . . . . honest man.  
Why do you say that? Has he been accused of . . . . dishonesty?
5. . . . friend of mine is expecting . . . . baby. If it's . . . . girl she's going to be called Etheldreda.  
What . . . . name to give . . . . girl!
6. It's time you had . . . . holiday. You haven't had . . . . day off for . . . . month.
7. Would it be . . . . trouble to you to buy me . . . . newspaper on your way home?
8. I see that your house is built of . . . . wood. Are you insured against . . . . fire?

**Exercise 02:** Insert **a**, **an** or **the** if necessary.

1. I went to . . . . school to talk to . . . . headmistress. I persuaded her to let Ann give up . . . . gymnastics and take . . . . ballet lessons instead.
2. Like many women, she loves . . . . tea parties and . . . . gossip.
3. On . . . . Sundays my father stays in . . . . bed till ten o'clock, reading . . . . Sunday papers.
4. There was . . . . knock on . . . . door. I opened it and found . . . . small dark man in . . . . blue overcoat.
5. I can't remember . . . . exact date of . . . . storm, but I know it was . . . . Sunday because everybody was at . . . . church. On . . . . Monday . . . . post didn't come because . . . . roads were blocked by . . . . fallen trees.
6. There was . . . . collision between . . . . car and . . . . cyclist at . . . . crossroads near . . . . my house early in . . . . morning. . . . cyclist was taken to . . . . hospital with . . . . concussion . . . . driver of . . . . car was treated for . . . . shock. . . . witnesses say that . . . . car was going at . . . . seventy miles . . . . hour.
7. It was . . . . windy morning but they hired . . . . boat and went for . . . . sail along . . . . coast.

