

## Watch out for common Turkish speakers' mistakes in English!

**Turkish learners often try to make uncountable nouns plural by adding –s.**

### **Get it right! Use:**

- uncountable nouns without –s:  
 WRONG *The informations are very useful.*  
 CORRECT *The information **is** very useful.*

**Turkish learners often forget to use a or an where it is needed.**

### **Get it right! Use:**

- **a** or **an** before a singular countable noun you mention for the first time or when you are not talking about a particular thing:  
 WRONG *Please bring pencil with you.*  
 CORRECT *Please bring **a** pencil with you.*

**Turkish learners often use a or an when they are not needed.**

### **Get it right! Use:**

- **a** or **an** before a plural noun or when there is no noun after it:  
 WRONG *My phone takes a good photos.*  
 CORRECT *My phone takes **good photos**.*

**Turkish learners often use the when they should use a or an.**

### **Get it right! Use:**

- **a** or **an** before a singular countable noun you mention for the first time or when you are not talking about a particular thing:  
 WRONG *Marmaris has got the nice beach.*  
 CORRECT *Marmaris has got **a** nice beach.*

**Turkish learners sometimes use some or any when they should use a or an.**

### **Get it right! Use:**

- **some** or **any** before a singular countable noun:  
 WRONG *There is some problem in the kitchen.*  
 CORRECT *There is **a** problem in the kitchen.*

**Turkish learners sometimes use a or an when they should use some.**

### **Get it right! Use:**

- **some** before an uncountable noun or a plural countable noun:  
 WRONG *We need to bring a paper.*  
 CORRECT *We need to bring **some** paper.*

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**1 ★ Circle the correct words.**

- 1 I eat a / (an) apple every day.
- 2 All the *furniture is* / *furnitures are* white.
- 3 Have you got *ticket* / *a ticket*?
- 4 Please give me *some advice* / *an advice*.
- 5 Do they have *uniforms* / *a uniforms*?
- 6 I'm cold. I haven't got *the* / *a* jacket.

**2 ★ Tick (✓) the correct sentence in each pair.**

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| 1 a | My house is very hot.                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b   | My house is a very hot.                             | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 2 a | I usually have some piece of cake in the afternoon. | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b   | I usually have a piece of cake in the afternoon.    | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 3 a | Our teacher gives us homework every day.            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b   | Our teacher gives us homeworks every day.           | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 4 a | I usually have some soup for lunch.                 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b   | I usually have a soup for lunch.                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 5 a | We don't have a TV.                                 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b   | We don't have any TV.                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 6 a | I've got new video game.                            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| b   | I've got a new video game.                          | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**3 ★★ Complete the sentences with a, an or some.**

- 1 Do you have a lamp in your bedroom?
- 2 I need \_\_\_\_\_ money for the train ticket.
- 3 I want to give Mehmet \_\_\_\_\_ advice.
- 4 My uncle has \_\_\_\_\_ interesting job.
- 5 We have \_\_\_\_\_ new maths teacher.
- 6 Zehra's sister is \_\_\_\_\_ actress.

**4 ★★ Underline and correct the mistakes (missing a or an). Write X if no a or an is needed.**

- 1 I can see yellow bird in the tree.  
see a yellow
- 2 You can bring friend to my party.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 We have English classes on Monday and Friday.  
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- 4 I usually have rice for dinner.  
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- 5 Eren is very polite person.  
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- 6 Burak has American car.  
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**5 ★★★ Find and correct five more mistakes.**

I get up at seven o'clock and ~~have shower~~ <sup>have a shower</sup>. For breakfast, I usually have toast. Sometimes, I also have a egg. I always have some big cup of coffee. I have a friend called Sena. We go to school together. I have the big bag for my school books. Our school is in the centre of town. It has large swimming pool. I love swimming and I love my school, but I don't love homeworks!

**6 ★★★ Write a paragraph about the food you usually eat for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Use both countable and uncountable nouns.**

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