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The Big 3 for Vietnamese Speakers: Articles, Plurals, and Verb Tense

Easy | A1 | Elementary | Beginners | A2 | Elementary | Pre-intermediate | Article | Countable and uncountable | Determiner | Noun | Present tense | Subject | Verb | Verb tense | Simple tense

1. Complete the detective's case notes by choosing the correct verb form for each blank.

Every morning, the detective _____ a large cup of coffee. However, yesterday she _____ it all over her desk when a suspect _____ on the door.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** drinks
- **B)** drink
- **C)** drank

Blank 2

- **A)** spilled
- **B)** spill
- **C)** spills

Blank 3

- **A)** knocked
- **B)** knock
- **C)** knocks

2. Help our hungry food critic polish her restaurant review! Select ALL the sentences that use articles (*a*, *an*, *the*) perfectly.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** The chef makes an amazing mushroom soup.
- **B)** I always enjoy the atmosphere at this lovely restaurant.
- **C)** The chef makes a amazing mushroom soup.
- **D)** I always enjoy atmosphere at this lovely restaurant.

3. Complete the text message to a friend about a funny animal sighting.

I just saw _____ cute dog outside the café. _____ dog was wearing a tiny yellow sweater and eating _____ apple!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** a
- **B)** an
- **C)** the

Blank 2

- **A)** The
- **B)** A
- **C)** An

Blank 3

- **A)** an
- **B)** a
- **C)** the

4. Complete the student's dramatic (and highly suspicious) excuse for being late to class.

I usually _____ up on time, but today my alarm clock _____ go off. Then, on my way here, a stray cat _____ my homework!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** wake
- **B)** wakes
- **C)** woke

Blank 2

- **A)** didn't
- **B)** doesn't
- **C)** don't

Blank 3

- **A)** stole
- **B)** steal
- **C)** steals

5. Help the amateur baker prepare for the grocery store by choosing the correct noun form for each blank.

My famous cake recipe requires three _____, but I only have one _____ in my kitchen. I also need to buy two large _____ from the market.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** apples
- **B)** apple
- **C)** an apple

Blank 2

- **A)** banana
- **B)** bananas
- **C)** some bananas

Blank 3

- **A)** eggs
- **B)** egg
- **C)** an egg

6. Detective Paws needs your help reviewing a suspect's alibi for last night. Select ALL the statements that use the correct past tense verbs.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** I watched a movie at home all evening.
- **B)** My dog slept on the couch next to me.
- **C)** I watch a movie at home yesterday.
- **D)** My dog sleeped on the couch next to me.

7. Help the forgetful traveler double-check their packing list for a weekend trip.

I packed three _____ and two pairs of _____, but I completely forgot to bring a _____!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** shirts
- **B)** shirt
- **C)** shirting

Blank 2

- **A)** shoes
- **B)** shoe
- **C)** shoeses

Blank 3

- **A)** toothbrush
- **B)** toothbrushes
- **C)** teethbrush

8. Your best friend is packing for his new college dorm, but his grammar is as messy as his room! Select ALL the items on his packing list that are written with the correct plural forms.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** Three heavy boxes of books
- **B)** Several comfortable pillows
- **C)** Three heavy box of book
- **D)** Two new wooden furnitures

9. Help the wizard complete his potion recipe.

To make the invisibility potion, you need three magical ___.

Select one.

- **A)** feather
- **B)** feathers
- **C)** the feather
- **D)** a feather

10. Help the delighted tourist complete his travel blog post by choosing the correct article for each blank.

I saw _____ cute stray cat outside my hotel. I gave some tuna to _____ cat, and now it thinks I am _____ absolute hero.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** a
- **B)** an
- **C)** the

Blank 2

- **A)** the
- **B)** a
- **C)** an

Blank 3

- **A)** an
- **B)** a
- **C)** the

11. Complete the time traveler's awkward apology.

I'm so sorry! Yesterday, I accidentally ___ on a dinosaur and changed history!

Select one.

- **A)** step
- **B)** steps
- **C)** stepped
- **D)** stepping

12. Finish the script for the dramatic nature documentary.

The fierce house cat wakes up, yawns, and immediately ___ back to sleep.

Select one.

- **A)** go
- **B)** goes
- **C)** going
- **D)** is go