Using A and An - ANSWER KEY

Grade 1 | Choosing a or an by the first sound of the next word

Use an before a word that starts with a vowel sound (a, e, i, o, u). Use a before a word that starts with any other sound.

Part A: Write a or an in front of each word.

1. apple **an apple**
2. ball **a ball**
3. egg **an egg**
4. cat **a cat**
5. igloo **an igloo**
6. dog **a dog**
7. umbrella **an umbrella**
8. kite **a kite**
9. owl **an owl**
10. ant **an ant**

Part B: Write a or an to finish each sentence.

11. We ate (a / an) orange. **an**
12. She has (a / an) red hat. **a**
13. He rode (a / an) bus to school. **a**
14. We saw (a / an) elephant at the zoo. **an**
15. I need (a / an) pencil. **a**
16. Dad found (a / an) old map. **an**