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1. **a** [eɪ, ə], **an** [æn, ən] indef.art., **one** [wʌn]
adj. & pron.

A or **an** is the indefinite article. The form **a** is used before words beginning with consonants, or words beginning with semi-vowels [j] and [w]. The form **an** is used before words beginning with vowels or a mute **h**.
a 和 **an** 是不定冠词。**a** 用于辅音或半元音 [j] 和 [w] 开始的词之前。**an** 用于元音字母或不发音的 **h** 开始的词之前。

a pen 一支笔	an egg 一个蛋
a European 一个欧洲人	an animal 一只动物
a one-act play 一个独幕剧	an orange 一个橘子
a k 一个 k	an s 一个 s
a ship 一艘船	an unbeliever 一个不信 仰宗教者
a house 一栋房子	an honest man 一个诚 实的人

One, an adjective, is not always interchangeable with **a** and **an**, because **a pen** means **one of the type, no particular pen**, while **one pen** means **no more than one**.
形容词 **one** 并不总是能与 **a** 或 **an** 互换使用，因为 **a pen** 指的是钢笔这类东西中的一个，不具体指哪一个，而 **one pen** 指的是在数量上只有一个。

A pencil is no good (i.e. it is the wrong sort of thing,
I need a fountain-pen). 铅笔不行 (即铅笔这类东西不行，我需要自来水笔) 。

One pencil is no good (i.e. I need two or three). —

支铅笔不行（即一支铅笔不够，我需要两支或三支）。

I am a student (i.e. I am not a teacher). 我是学生（即我现在不是老师）。

One can also be used as a pronoun. one 可用作代词。
He is one of my best friends. 他是我最好的一个朋友。
There are many school bags here. Which one is yours? 这儿有很多书包，哪一个是你的？

2. ability [ə'biliti] , capacity [kə'pæsiti] ,
talent ['tælənt] n.

Ability suggests physical, mental, financial or legal power to do something. A person can be born with some ability. He can also develop some ability by learning to do something and then practising it. Ability is usually followed either by an infinitive or by prepositions, such as *in*, *for*, *with*, *at*, but not by the prepositional phrase *of plus doing something*. ability (能力、才能) 指体力、智力、经济或法律上有“能力”做某事。一个人也许生来就有某种才能，也许通过学习或锻炼来提高某种能力。可以接动词不定式或接介词 *in*, *for*, *with*, *at*, 但是不能够接 *of+doing something* 的短语。

She has the ability to pay the bill. 她付得起帐。

He has the ability to assess property. 他能估价财产。

When he was young, he showed great ability in physics. 他年轻的时候，就显示了物理学的才能。

Capacity is the ability to hold, absorb, or learn. It can apply either to a person or to a thing. One may be born with certain capacity. He can also easily devel-