

SPANISH NOUNS & ARTICLES A QUICK & EASY GUIDE







SPANISH <u>DEFINITE & INDEFINITE</u> ARTICLES

DEFINITE ARTICLES

Identify a <u>specific</u> noun.

Masculine



El

El perro pequeño. The small dog. Feminine



La

La flor amarilla. The yellow flower.



Los

Los perros son pequeños. The dogs are small.



Las

Me gustan las flores rosas. I like the pink flowers.

INDEFINITE ARTICLES

Refer to a noun in general terms.

Masculine



Un

Quiero un perro. I want a dog. Feminine

Una



Una chica te llamó. A girl called you.



Unos

Toma unos lápices. Take some pencils. Unas



Unas chicas te llamaron. Some girls called you.

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NOUN + DEFINITE ARTICLE

Concrete noun that easy to identify.



Alicia quiere el carro rojo. Alicia wants the red car.

NOUN + INDEFINITE ARTICLE

<u>Unspecific</u> noun. Not easy to identify.



Alicia quiere un carro azul. Alicia wants a blue car.

KEY POINTS: <u>DIMINUTIVES</u> IN SPANISH

- Articles in Spanish convey how specific a noun is.
- <u>Indefinite articles</u> refer to a noun in a **non-specific way**. It could be <u>any</u> place, thing, or person.
- A definite article + a noun conveys **specificity**. <u>Spanish definite articles</u> refer to a specific noun that is easy to identify by the people involved in the conversation.
- Articles in Spanish must agree with the gender and number (singular or plural form) of a noun.

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