

How definite is indefinite?



WANTED
dead or alive

THE

Total ESL students' errors

100%



Articles-related errors

11%

WANTED
dead or alive

A/AN

Spot the noun

it is

SPECIFIC

NON-SPECIFIC

is it countable?

YES

NO

is it unique thing?

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is it a name for ocean/sea/river, mountain or island?

YES

YES

NO

THE

is it countable?

YES

NO

is it mentioned for the very first time?

YES

is it a profession?

A/AN

ZERO ARTICLE