

# 4 All Clear Basics

## a / an, some, any

**countable:** There's a rainforest / an island.  
There are some hotels.  
There isn't a lake.  
There aren't any insects.

**uncountable:** There's some snow.  
There isn't any ice.  
Is there any sand?

### Look!

a rainforest, a tree, a wave  
an island, an apple, an egg, an orange,  
an underground station

### Look!

**countable nouns:** beach, forest, island, lake,  
mountain, river, tree, wave  
**uncountable nouns:** ice, sand, snow, water

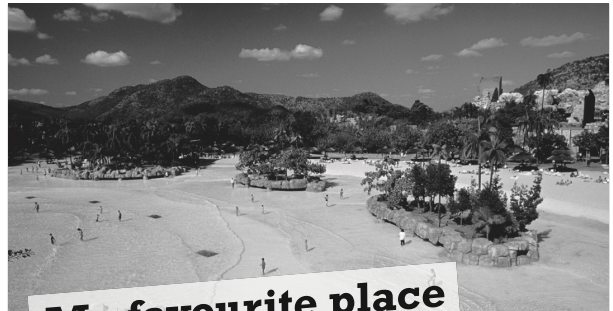
#### 1 Circle the correct answers.

- There's ... church opposite the school.  
a)  a                                 b) an
- 1 Julia has ... egg for breakfast.  
a) a   b) an
- 2 Is there ... university in your town?  
a) a   b) an
- 3 Have you got ... apple?  
a) a   b) an
- 4 My uncle lives on ... island.  
a) a   b) an
- 5 There's ... hotel near here.  
a) a   b) an

#### 2 Complete the sentences with the correct word in brackets.

- There are some (a / some / any) good shops in my town.
- 1 My favourite shop is \_\_\_\_\_ (a / an / any) bookshop.
- 2 It's got \_\_\_\_\_ (a / an / some) really good books.
- 3 It hasn't got \_\_\_\_\_ (a / some / any) children's books.
- 4 My favourite book is \_\_\_\_\_ (a / an / any) novel called *Lord of the Flies*.
- 5 It's about some boys on \_\_\_\_\_ (an / some / any) island.

#### 3 Look at the picture and complete the text with a, some or any.



### My favourite place

This is the Valley of the Waves in South Africa. There isn't any snow or ice here. There's a beach and <sup>(1)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ white sand. There are three islands with <sup>(2)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ trees. There's <sup>(3)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ blue water and there are <sup>(4)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ big waves. But the place is in the middle of <sup>(5)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ forest. The Valley of the Waves is <sup>(6)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ water park!

### EXTRA!

What is there in your area? Write three sentences.

There is a **mountain / beach / forest / lake**.

There are some **mountains / beaches / forests / lakes**.

There aren't any **mountains / beaches / forests / lakes**.

1 There is a \_\_\_\_\_.

2 There are some \_\_\_\_\_.

3 There aren't any \_\_\_\_\_.