



Grammar Games

Articles: a / an



Food Sets



a (or) **an**

We can use **a** or **an**
...before singular nouns

We use **a**
...before a noun beginning
with a consonant

a watermelon

We use **an**
...before a noun beginning
with a vowel

an orange

Materials and preparation:

Laminate and cut out three sets of the article and picture cards. Place one set in one baggie (for single student use) and place the remaining 2 sets in one baggie (for 2 player use). Optional: Laminate 'Answer Check' pages for student use.

Center Use:

Center may be used as a single student or as a game played by two students.

1 Student: Using 1 set of cards, the student is to lay all cards face side up and match the correct article with each picture.

2 Students: Using the cards of the combined 2 sets, students are to mix up and spread out the cards face down on the table. Players take turns turning up 2 cards.

If a player turns over 1 article card and 1 picture card that go together ("a" "watermelon"), the player may collect and keep the cards. If the 2 cards do not go together, the cards should remain face up on the table.

If any card are turned up later that go with those already face up, the first player to say the correct article and noun together ("an apple" or "a pear") can collect the 2 cards.

The object of the game is to match all article and noun cards together correctly. The player with the most cards at the end is the winner.

Food Set

#1

a

a

a

a

a

a

an

an

an

an

an

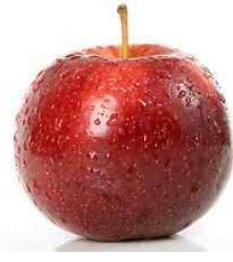
an



egg



orange



apple



ice cream cone



onion



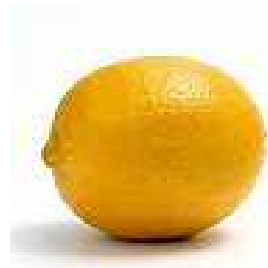
avocado



cake



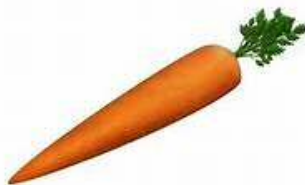
tomato



lemon



lettuce



carrot



cucumber

Food Set

#2

a

a

a

a

a

a

an

an

an

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an

an



artichoke



oyster



apricot



olive



eggplant



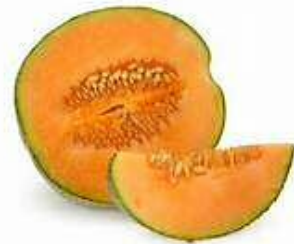
almond



potato



watermelon



cantaloupe



pineapple



mushroom



banana

Answer Check - Food Set #1

(Students may use to check answers)

a	an
cake tomato lemon lettuce carrot cucumber	egg orange apple ice cream cone onion avocado

Answer Check - Food Set #2

(Students may use to check answers)

a	an
banana mushroom pineapple cantaloupe watermelon potato	artichoke oyster apricot olive eggplant almond

What's in Your Frig?

(Variation/Addition to previous center)

Materials and preparation:

Laminate 2 frig pages and 2 item list pages.

Optional: 2 dry erase markers

Center Use:

(For 2 students both using food items set #1 and #2)

After the students have played the center game with the article and picture cards, have the students each place 5 items inside their respective refrigerators.

Using an item list page, have each student alternate to ask what the other student has in his/her frig. (Optional: Give students a dry erase marker to mark off food items off the list.)

“Do you have “a” (or) “an” _____ in your frig?”

Continue until 1 player has guessed all the items in the other players frig!

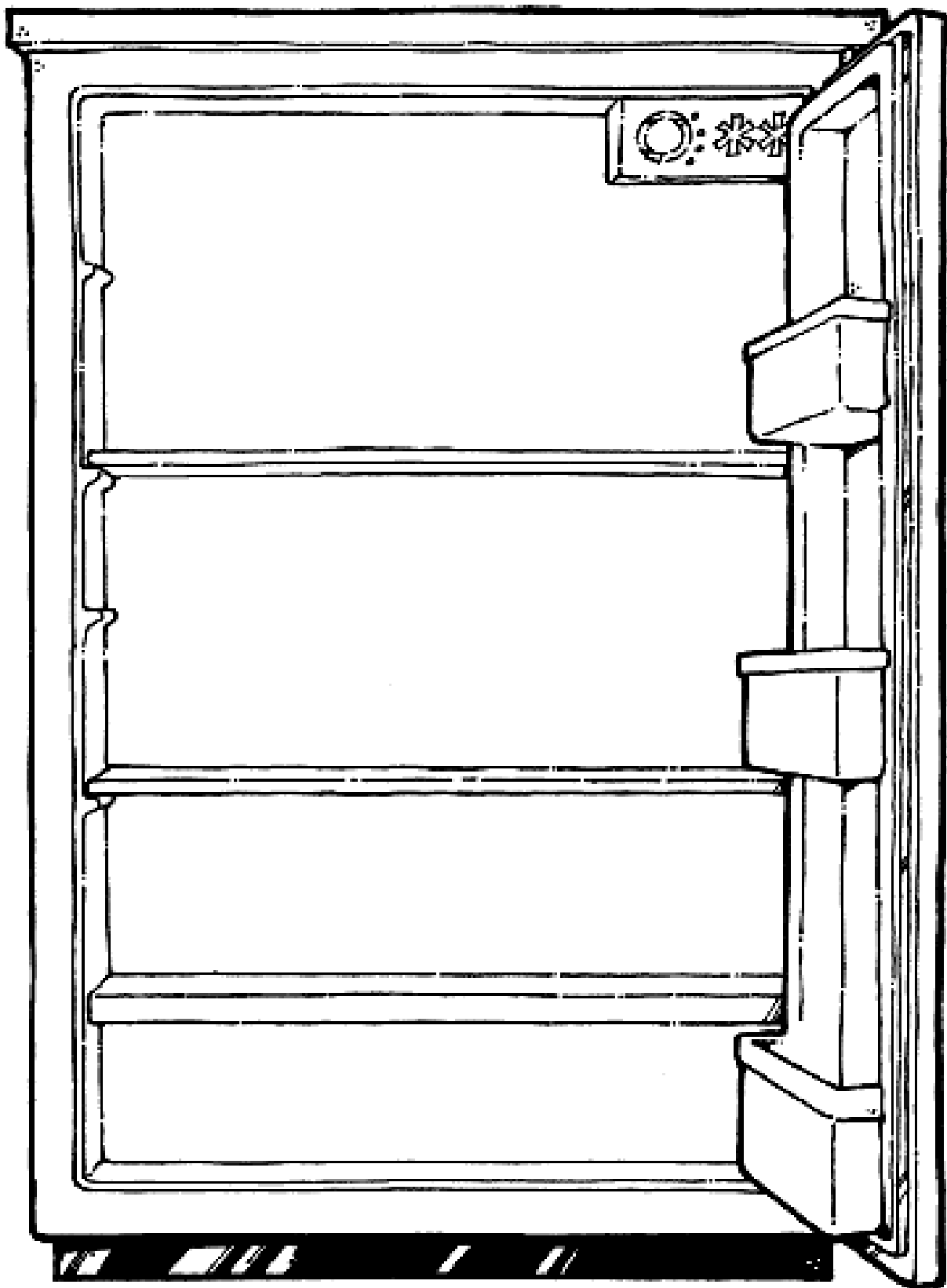


Figure 10-1

Food Items List:

egg

banana

mushroom

orange

apple

pineapple

cantaloupe

ice cream

watermelon

potato

onion

avocado

artichoke

cake

oyster

apricot

tomato

olive

eggplant

almond

lemon

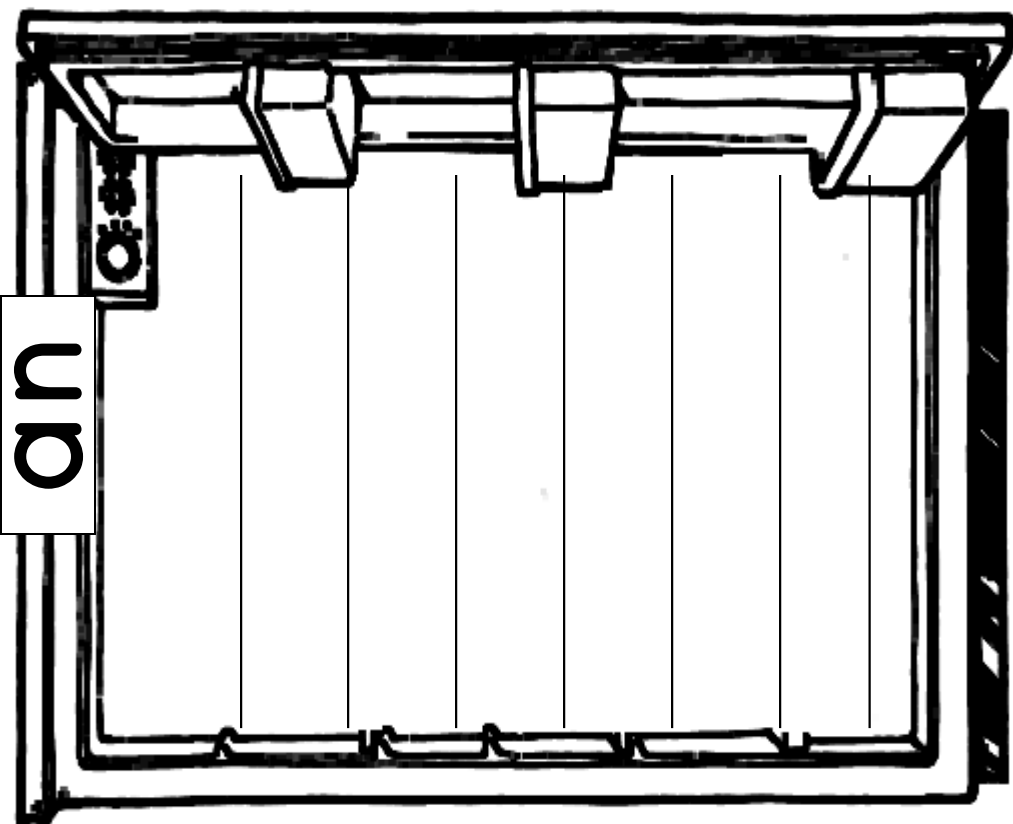
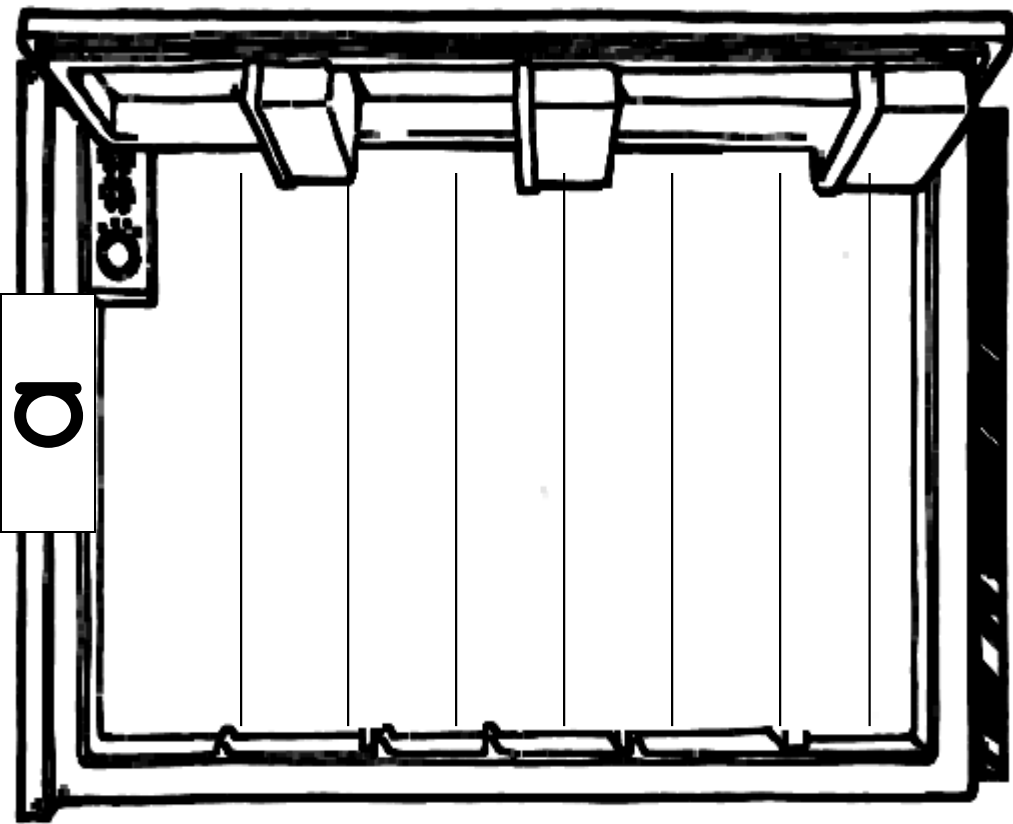
lettuce

carrot

cucumber

Name: _____

Load each refrigerator by writing the names of the items that belong in it. Items: egg, cake, lettuce, ice cream, cucumber carrot, orange, apple, tomato, onion, avocado, lemon



Name: _____

Load each refrigerator by writing the names of the items that belong in it. Items: artichoke, oyster, banana, apricot, mushroom, pineapple, olive, almond, watermelon, eggplant, potato, cantaloupe

