

# A SIMPLE GUIDE TO UN, UNO, UNA

UNDERSTAND AND USE INDEFINITE ARTICLES IN ITALIAN

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## USE THEM TO TALK ABOUT:

**Someone or something in a generic, undetermined way**

- Ieri sera ho visto **un** film.
- C'è **una** persona per te.
- Ti serve **uno** psicologo

## CHOOSE THE RIGHT ONE:

**UN and UNO are masculine, UN' and UNA are feminine**

*M* Use **UNO** with words that start with:

- s + consonant
- ps, pn, gn
- z, x, y

Use **UN** with all other consonants and vowels

*F* Use **UNA** with words that start with a consonant

Use **UN'** with words that start with a vowel

## IN A NEGATIVE SENTENCE:

**They mean "not even one" or "only one"**

- Non ho **un** soldo.
- Non dice **una** parola.

## AS INTENSIFIERS:

**Before words that indicate a feeling or physical sensation**

- Ho **una** paura...
- Ho **un** sonno...

## "UN" BEFORE A NUMBER:

**It means "more or less" or "about"**

- Vale **un** centomila euro.
- Ci saranno state **un** ventimila persone.