EXERCISES

56.1 Write a or an in the spaces. (A)

1. ...... unreasonable decision  8 ...... universal problem
2. ...... unit of work  9 ...... eucalyptus tree
3. ...... honourable man  10 ...... X-ray
4. ...... UFO  11 ...... T-shirt
5. ...... happy girl  12 ...... H-bomb
6. ...... elephant  13 ...... hospital
7. ...... BBC programme  14 ...... UNESCO worker

56.2 Correct the sentences if necessary, or put a ✓. In which sentences are both one and a/an possible? (B & C)

1. I teach four days one week.
2. Jenny's baby is only one week old.
3. Have you got one match, please?
4. You won't believe this, but it cost over one thousand pounds.
5. One summer, we must visit Sweden again.
6. They cost $10 one kilo.
7. I've known him for one year or so.
8. She's already written one novel since she retired.
9. Help! There's one mouse in the cupboard!
10. She's one cousin of the king's.
11. When you get to my age, you just take one day at a time.
12. Cross-country skiing is easy. Just put one foot in front of the other.
13. Can I have one little more rice?
14. One large quantity of petrol escaped from the tank.
15. We hadn't got one baseball bat, so we had to use one tennis racket.
16. I had one last look around the house, locked the door, and left.

56.3 Which is correct or more likely, a/an or one? If both a/an and one are possible, write them both. (B&C)

1. It weighs over ...... hundred kilos.
2. I only asked for ...... pizza - I didn't want three of them.
3. I wouldn't allow ...... child of mine to be treated in that way.
4. It only took us ...... week to drive to Greece.
5. I've always wanted to own ...... silver-coloured car.
6. ...... sandwich isn't enough. I usually eat four or five.
7. Policies differ from ...... state to another.
8. Less than three quarters of ...... hour later, she was home.
9. All of the competitors completed the race, with just ...... exception.
10. She left home late ...... morning and hasn't been seen since.
11. The best way to learn ...... musical instrument is to find ...... enthusiastic teacher.
12. Somewhere in the distance ...... bell rang.