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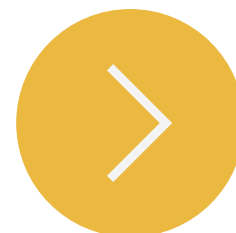
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WHAT IS THE NEGATIVE ARTICLE "KEIN"?

If we talk about the negative article, we talk about the negation "kein". The negative article only comes before the noun (like all the other articles).

Nouns without articles and nouns with indefinite articles can be negated with "kein".

THE USE OF THE NEGATIVE ARTICLE "KEIN"

Nouns without articles ("Nullartikel") and nouns with indefinite articles are negated with "kein."

- „Ich habe Geld.“ – „Ich habe **kein** Geld.“ – I have **no** money.
- „Ich habe ein Auto.“ – „Ich habe **kein** Auto.“ – I have **no** car.

DECLENSION – "KEIN" IN ALL CASES

"Kein" gets the same endings as possessive or indefinite articles:

	Nominative	Accusative	Dative	Genitive
Masculine	kein Mann	keinen Mann	keinem Mann	keines Mannes
Feminine	keine Frau	keine Frau	keiner Frau	keiner Frau
Neuter	kein Kind	kein Kind	keinem Kind	keines Kindes
Plural	keine Sterne	keine Sterne	keinen Sternen	keiner Sterne

All endings are the same as the endings of the definite articles.

The only difference is that nominative masculine, nominative neuter, and accusative neuter have no ending at all.)

SUMMARY

We use the negative article "kein" when we want to negate:

- nouns without articles (the zero article) and
- nouns with indefinite articles (ein, eine, ...)

TASK



- Check if you see the pattern behind the different endings for all the cases
- You don't have to learn dozens of different tables with different endings! 😊

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