

# A WHILE

VS.

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★ 2 words

★ noun phrase:

a = article & while = noun

★ means "a short period of time"

★ can (and often does) come after a preposition, such as "for" or "in"

## EXAMPLE

She will be at home in a while.

**Meaning:** She is not at home. She will be going home. She will be at home after a short period of time.



★ 1 word

★ adverb

★ means "for a short period of time"

★ cannot come after a preposition

## EXAMPLE

She will be at home awhile.

**Meaning:** She is at home. She will be at home for a short period of time.



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