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a/the Chance to do

Having a/the chance to do something means that you have the opportunity to do something. In other words, you can take advantage of the situation you are in to do something.

- When I was in Rome, I had the chance to see the Colosseum.
- My job gives me the chance to travel all over the world.
- Have you had a chance to read the report?
- I'm sorry, I haven't had a chance to look at it yet.

a/the Chance/s of doing

Having a/the chance of doing something means that you have the probability of doing something. In other words, it is not definite that you will do something.

- What are our chances of winning the game?
- Nowadays, you need work experience to stand a chance of getting a job.
- There is very little chance of you being fit enough to run a marathon after only two weeks of training.

Chance of + noun

- He missed the **chance of promotion** by turning down a better position within the company.
- His only **chance of victory** is to knock his opponent out in the first round.

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