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Articles

Learning Outcomes

- Students will understand the definition and function of verbs in sentences.
- They will learn different types of verbs, including action, linking, and auxiliary verbs.
- They will identify and use verbs correctly in various tenses.
- They will apply verbs effectively to express actions, states, or occurrences.



Lead in



Skills/Level
LISTENING/A1



Complete the story by filling in correct articles.

Once there was _____ ant. She lived in _____ filed. _____ cricket lived near its hole. They were friends. _____ cricket was lazy. During _____ months of summer, it sang and mad merry. It did not store food for winter. It was careless. On _____ other hand, _____ ant was not lazy. She worked day and night. She gathered grains for winter. In winter, _____ ground was covered with snow.

Articles

The words **a**, **an** and **the** are called **articles**. These are used before nouns. **A** and **an** are **indefinite articles**. **The** is called **definite articles**.

Use of a and an

A and **an** are used before countable nouns in the singular number.

Examples:

a bat, an orange, a cat, a dog, an egg, an apple.

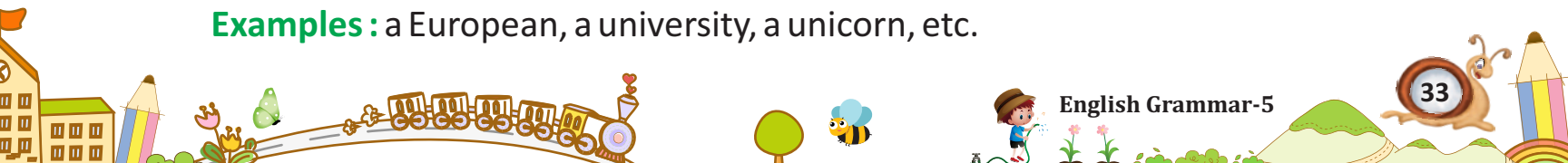
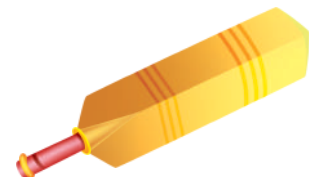
We use **a** :

- Before a word beginning with a consonant sound.

Examples : a dog, a girl, a man, etc.

- Before a word beginning with a vowel but pronounced as a consonant 'you'.

Examples : a European, a university, a unicorn, etc.





We use **an** :

- Before a word beginning with a vowel sound.

Examples : an aeroplane, an elephant, an egg, etc.

- Before a word beginning with a silent 'h' resulting in a vowel sound at the beginning.

Examples : an honest (onest) man, an hour (our), an heir (air), an honourable (onorable) man

- Before abbreviations beginning with a consonant letter having a vowel sound

Example : an M.A., an M.L.A., an M.P., etc.



A. Fill in the blanks with **a** or **an**.



Skills/Level
WRITING/A1



- _____ European and _____ Indian.
- _____ boy with _____ egg.
- _____ necklace and _____ earring.
- _____ cow and _____ elephant.
- _____ apple and _____ orange.
- _____ B.A. and _____ M.A.
- _____ ice-cream and _____ university.
- _____ stone and _____ iron sheet.



B. Use **a** or **an** wherever necessary. Put a cross (×) in the blank space where no answer is required.



Skills/Level
LISTENING/A1



- They have _____ university of their own.
- I want _____ glass of _____ water.
- _____ chair is made of _____ wood.
- He has _____ hour to reach there.
- Is he _____ M.P. or _____ M.L.A?
- _____ dog has _____ tail.
- I am reading _____ story. It is very interesting.





Use of **the** :

The is used :

- When we refer to or speak of a particular person or thing or one already mentioned or known.

Examples :

1. I bought **a** pen yesterday. (any pen)

The pen I bought yesterday is on the table. (a particular pen)

- Before Superlatives

Examples :

1. Giraffe is **the** tallest animal.

2. She is **the** wisest girl in the class.

- With comparatives to denote selection out of two

Example : She is the wiser of the two.

- Before **same** and after **both**, **all** and **half**

Examples :

1. You are saying **the** same thing.

2. Both **the** brothers came.

- When a Whole class is denoted.

Examples : **The** cow is a useful animal.

- The** is used before the following:

- Names of things that are unique and one of their kind

Examples : The Sun, The Moon

- Name of rivers

Examples : The Ganga, The Yamuna

- Name of seas and oceans

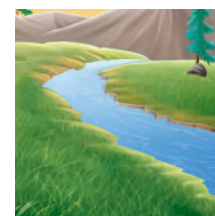
Examples : The Bay of Bengal, The Pacific Ocean

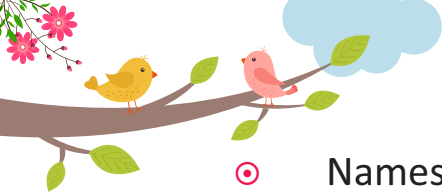
- Names of canals and deserts

Examples : The Sutlej Canal, The Thar desert

- Names of mountain ranges

Examples : The Himalayas, The Alps





- Names of epic books
Examples : The Bible, The Ramayana, The Quran
- Names of newspapers
Examples : The Times of India
- Names of well known buildings
Examples : The Red Fort, The Taj Mahal
- Name of some countries
Examples : The U.S.A., The U.K.



Grammar Byte

- with proper nouns- ~~the~~ Ashok, ~~the~~ India
- with uncountable nouns that name materials- ~~the~~ iron, ~~the~~ gold
- with uncountable nouns that name qualities- ~~the~~ love, ~~the~~ beauty

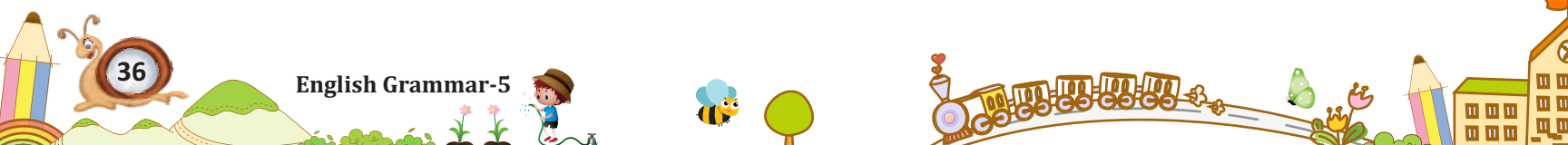
C. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles.



Skills/Level
WRITING/A1



- This is _____ most interesting book I have ever read.
- I have read _____ Ramayana and not _____ Bible.
- _____ Sun is _____ star.
- _____ Hooghly River flows into _____ Bay of Bengal.
- I saw _____ octopus on the beach.
- We went to _____ room we were assigned.
- This is _____ book I was looking for.
- That was _____ exciting show.
- We travelled to _____ new city every month.
- This is _____ only times I am lending you my notes.





Points to Remember

- The words *a*, *an* and *the* are called articles.
- *A* and *an* are used before countable nouns in the singular number.
- We use **a** before a word beginning with a consonant sound.
- We use **an** before a word beginning with a vowel sound.
- We use **the** when we refer to a particular person or thing or one already mentioned or known.



My Activity Corner



Skills/Level
READING/A1



Make a chart on the usage of articles and hang it in your classroom.



My EeeBee Interactive Activities



Listening



Speaking



Reading



Writing



Grammar



Vocabulary

WRITE YOUR SCORE

Practice your LSRW Skills



on Communication Lab

