

English Unit -1 Notes (AICTE)

GRAMMAR

ARTICLES, PREPOSITION AND DETERMINERS

ARTICLES :

Rules Of Articles:

Kinds of Articles

In English language, there are total three articles, (A, An and The). These three articles are divided into two types.

1. **Definite:** The (*is used to refer any particular person, place or thing.*)
2. **Indefinite:** A & An (*does not refer particular noun*)

Rule 1

'a' is used before a word (or a countable noun) beginning with a consonant sound.

Ex:

a boy
a man
a girl
a table
a young man

Rule 2

'an' is used with a word beginning with a vowel sound.

Ex:

an apple
an elephant, an egg,
an ink-pot, an idiot
an orange, an orphan,
an umbrella

Rule 3

'an' is used before a word beginning with a consonant letter but a vowel sound.

Ex.

an honest man
an hour
an honorable guest
an heir

Rule 4

'a' is used before a word beginning with a vowel letter but a consonant sound.

Ex.

a university
a European
a union

Rule 6

A word beginning with 'vowel' letter but 'consonant' sound /w/ takes 'a' as an article.

Ex.

a one rupee note
a one eyed man
a one dollar note
a one way ticket
a one legged man

Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles

1. man is mortal.
2. I am university student.
3. She goes to the temple in mornings.
4. camel is the ship of the desert.
5. This book has won Booker prize.
6. Harishchandra was honest king.
7. I am fond of classical music.
8. I met boy in the store.
9. Gold is precious metal.
10. She returned after hour.
11. There is institution for blind in this city.
12. On our trip, we visited Lake Victoria.
13. Have you ever visited United Kingdom?
14. pets are not allowed in this hotel.
15. Rabbits are small wild furry animals with long ears.
16. New York is in United States of America.
17. Ariane has got German car.
18. Lisa is English teacher.
19. Where's electric heater? I can't find it.
20. old person sometimes feels lonely.
21. Mike's mother bought him guitar for his birthday .
22. I'm thinking of buying new pair of trousers.
23. In the end there was war between the two countries.
24. Jim plays piano very well.
25. Bradley gave his teacher apple.
26. I like blue T-shirt over there better than red one.
27. Their car does 150 miles hour.
28. Where's USB drive I lent you last week?
29. Do you still live in Bristol?

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30. Is your mother working in old office building?
31. Carol's father works as electrician.
32. The tomatoes are 99 pence kilo.
33. What do you usually have for breakfast?
34. Ben has terrible headache.
35. cover of my English book is red.

Fill In The Blanks With Appropriate Articles :

1. I opened _____ door and found _____ old man wearing _____ hat standing on _____ doorstep.
2. All of them went to _____ picnic near _____ waterfall at _____ Green Valley on _____ Saturday.
3. _____ boy came cycling down _____ street and banged into _____ tree in front of _____ house opposite ours.
4. What _____ pity _____ Eric could not go to _____ football match that was held on _____ school field. It was really _____ exciting game.
5. _____ price of _____ eggs has been on _____ increase for _____ long time. Now, _____ egg costs much more.
6. I found _____ empty tin by _____ roadside just now. This is not _____ unusual thing, but _____ point is that _____ tin can cause _____ serious accident.
7. _____ author of this book came to our school yesterday and gave us _____ lecture on _____ importance of reading good books for _____ education.
8. When I woke up early in _____ morning, I saw _____ fine mist covering _____ hills and trees. But _____ hour later, _____ mist had disappeared, and _____ sun was shining brightly.
9. As he was going to _____ school, he met with _____ accident. He received _____ bad bump on _____ head and was taken to _____ hospital in _____ ambulance.
10. _____ bus stopped at _____ bus-station. _____ old woman wearing _____ faded skirt and _____ old blouse got off _____ bus.
11. Mary suddenly let out _____ frightened scream. She had felt _____ cold object brush past her face. We told her that it was probably _____ owl or _____ bat, and warned her to look out for potholes along _____ path.
12. _____ old shopkeeper works too hard in _____ shop. He is on his feet _____ whole day long, serving _____ customers, and climbing up and down _____ stepladder to get _____ things they want. What he needs is _____ long rest and _____ assistant to help him in _____ shop.

PREPOSITION

Preposition of Place

Here are some examples for preposition of place:

Above, up, after, on, before, against, by,
behind, below, along, near, down,
in, at, across, inside, between, over

The aeroplane is flying above the clouds.

The dog buried the bone under the ground.

Our house is at the end of the street.

The cat ran across the road.

Preposition of Time

Here are some examples for preposition of time:

About, before, for, by, around, in, ago, at, past,
since, to, on, after, until, between, during

The train is about an hour late.

The classes begins at 8 o' clock.

My birthday falls on Wednesday

India has been independent since 1947.

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Preposition of Movement

Here are some examples for preposition of movement:

Down, past, into, behind, up, onto, through, off,
over, on, across, at, by, for, after, towards

The cat has climbed up a tree.

The children got off the bus.

She ran along the pavement.

The bus goes towards the market

Simple Prepositions

Here are some examples for simple prepositions:

Above, under, around, through, after, on,
before, about, among, behind, along,
near, down, in, at, across, between, over

The paper is on my desk.

The man was standing under the tree.

I will meet you near your house at 5 p.m.

She is currently staying in a hotel.

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Double Prepositions

Here are some examples for double prepositions:

Inside, outside, into, onto, upon,
up to, within, without, amid

Outside the house lies a beautiful garden.

It is up to us to find a way out.

The dog jumped onto the bed.

Once upon a time, there lived a king.

Compound Prepositions

Here are some examples for compound prepositions:

According to, apart from, close to, because of,
far from, next to, rather than, instead of,
out of, due to, relating to, in front of

My car is parked in front of the house.

Rita was never close to her parents.

She cannot stay here as of now.

I. FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH APPROPRIATE PERPOSITIONS :

1. Where do you come ?
2. My cousin lives Norway.
3. They are walking the bridge.
4. I don't like flying, so I went to Paris bus.
5. You can stay me tonight.
6. My birthday is 29th February.
7. I'll see you Christmas.
8. Put the books the table, please.
9. I haven't seen you ages.
10. I like this house the river.
11. She was born 2004.
12. They are waiting the bus.
13. Don't forget to bring some flowers you.
14. I haven't smoked ages.
15. You can look up the word a dictionary.
16. She is allergic insect stings.
17. I'm looking my keys. Have you found them?
18. The song was written Madonna.
19. He likes to travel Spain in summer.
20. The police car chased the robbers the streets.

II. CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER :

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1. Do you live (at, on) Bay Street (in, on) Newport?
2. I hung the picture (above, on) the fireplace.
3. She walked (in, into) the kitchen and put her packages (on, over) the table.
4. Is Jane (at, in) home? No, she is (on, at) the library.
5. Mary is sitting (in, on) the sofa (at, in) the living room.
6. Michigan is situated (in, between) Lake Michigan and Lake Huron.
7. While waiting for my train, I took a walk (around, across) the station.
8. A formation of twelve airplanes flew (over, on top of) our house.
9. The artist spends many hours (in, on) his studio (on, at) 50 Charles Street.
10. John found a note pinned (in, on) his door which said: "Meet me (at, in) the corner of Pine and Fifth Streets."
11. The Blake family lives (at, on) Third Street (in, on) Cleveland, Ohio.
12. Don't forget to put your return address (in, on) the envelope.
13. He sat (near, against) the camp fire.
14. Mr. Flanagan, who is (from, of) Ireland, is staying (at, to) his sister's home in Boston.
15. Someone has spilled ink (in, on) this rug and has burned a hole (in, on) that one.
16. The door was locked; so I shoved the letter (under, around) the door.
17. He piled the books (above, on top of) the table.
18. He arrived (in, at) Switzerland last week.
19. You are ahead of me. Your name is (above, at the top of) the list.
20. Your score on the examination is well (above, over) average.

III. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate Preposition in the following Paragraph.

_____ June 13 the Circle Players will open _____ Star Theater _____ a revival _____ George Bernard Shaw's play, Major Barbara. When the play opened _____ Philadelphia a week ago, the critics gave the Circle Players enthusiastic reviews. Good reviews are not unusual for the Circle Players, who have thrilled audiences _____ their performances _____ the past decade. In fact, they were so loudly acclaimed _____ London for their performance of Major Barbara that the play ran _____ three years. Tickets are now on sale _____ the box office _____ the Star Theatre _____ the three week engagement. There will be a performance every night, except Sunday, _____ 8:30p.m., and a matinee _____ Wednesday and Saturday _____ 2:30 p.m. Reservations may be made _____ mail or telephone.

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DETERMINERS

Determiners are words that are used before nouns to identify them

Determiners may be divided into:

1. Articles: a/an, the

The words 'a' and 'an' are called indefinite articles. They are used with singular countable nouns.

Example: Have you a pencil?

The word 'the' is called the definite article. It is used before a noun which refers to something or someone definite.

Example: You may keep the change.

2. Demonstrative adjectives: this, that, these, those

These adjectives indicate the noun that is being referred to.

Examples: This book is **mine**. Those books are **yours**.

3. Adjectives of quantity:

some, much, less They tell us how much of a thing is being referred to

Examples: I ate **some** rice.

I did not eat **any** rice.

I ate **much** rice.

4. Adjectives of number: many, few, several, each

They tell us how many things or persons are being referred to.

Examples: Several books were stolen from the library.

This cell phone has **many** useful features.

December is the **twelfth** month of the year.

Listen to **every** word I say.

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5. Possessive pronouns: my, our, your, their, his, her, its

These pronouns are used to show possession or belonging.

Examples: This is **my** family.

What is **your** address?

DETERMINERS IN ENGLISH

1. Definite article : the
2. Indefinite articles : a, an
3. Demonstratives: this, that, these, those
4. Pronouns and possessive determiners : my, your, his, her, its, our, their
5. Quantifiers : a few, a little, much, many, a lot of, most, some, any, enough
6. Numbers : one, ten, thirty
7. Distributives : all, both, half, either, neither, each, every
8. Difference words : other, another
9. Pre-determiners : such, what, rather, quite

I .FILL IN THE BLANK WITH APPROPRIATE WORD

1. people do not trust politicians.(most/most of)
2. Neither open the door.(keys/key)
3. Our garden looks awful this summer. There are too Weeds.(much/many)
4. They say knowledge is a dangerous thing.(little/a little/ the little)
5. I am having trouble passing my driving exam.(lot of /a lot of)
6. people can afford a home these days.(few/little)
7. She earns money than I do.(less/fewer/less)
8. Neither of valid.)this argument is/these arguments is /these arguments are)
9. are closed on Sundays.(most of the shops /most shops)
10. They spend their income on movies.(half /half of)
11. my friends wished me on my birthday.(no one of /none of /none)
12. was given a present.(each child/each of the child)

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13. his ideas are quite interesting.(all of his /all his)
14. my children are engineers.(both /both of)
15. His ideas are different from those of his parents.(little /less/least)
16. The new job isn't different from the old one.(many/much /most)
17. He is an expert on languages, but he knows ----- about mathematics.(several/few/little/a lot of)
18. Both players in the tennis match have been warned by the referee but ----- of them seems to take it seriously. (None/ either/ every/ neither)
19. I had to live in Paris and Madrid for many years because of my business but I don't like ----- city much.(all/ whole/ either/ neither)
20. In my country, ---- universities offer a wide range of courses. That's why they are preferred by foreign students as well.(every/ each/ a great deal of/ most)

II. Choose the appropriate determiners from the box and fill in the blanks in the following sentences.

this	these	those	my	our	their	your	several	many	both	each	some
either-or	neither-nor	latter									

1. I have a book. I will write _____ name on _____ book.
2. We will write _____ names on _____ books.
3. The children are walking with _____ parents.
4. I rang him up _____ times but there was no reply.
5. _____ reward _____ punishment has any effect on these boys.
6. _____ animals are in danger of becoming extinct.
7. _____ her parents are doctors.
8. The gardener put _____ soil into _____ flower pot.
9. Of the three, opera, movies and music, the is his favourite.
10. _____ days of lockdown are indeed memorable.

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III . Choose the correct answer.

Determiners : the ,a, all, each, every, few, little, a little, a few , most , ,many of ,many ,my friends , my friend , no ,any ,some ,etc.

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2. We invited _____ friends over to our house for a barbecue.
3. _____ of the cakes had been baked the day before.
4. Sally didn't take _____ photos when she went on holiday.
5. The teacher gave _____ of the students a piece of paper.
6. Every one of _____ sent me a birthday card, but none of them bought me a present.
7. Henry had _____ idea what the answer to the question was.
8. I like many of her songs, but not _____ of them are good.
10. There are _____ books in the library.
11. I often go to _____ bed late.
12. Have you ever had _____ high fever?
13. _____ National Health Service was set up in Britain in 1946.
14. Do you often have _____ headaches?
15. In _____ countries, you have to pay for the medical treatment.
16. The patient takes _____ prescription to the chemist's.
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18. _____ people think that development is modernization.

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19. Only houses were spared by earthquake.
20. You must learn little English every day to improve your language
21. I drink glass of milk.
22. patience and advice help more than medicine.
23. My father has just bought new car.
24. Can I have bar of chocolate?
25. There isn't bread in that tin.
26. Is there ink in the bottle?
27. Are there eggs in the basket?
28. the students must attend the seminar.
29. One of my stays in Mumbai.
30. of the schools are using zoom app for online classes.