

ARTICLES	MAIN USE	TYPE OF NOUN	IN GENERAL	GEOGRAPHY	FREE TIME	OTHERS
DEFINITE ARTICLE: THE	For previously mentioned nouns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singular/plural • Countable/uncountable 	Generic class+countable singular nouns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water (-lakes) • Deserts • Continents & countries followed by common noun • Areas • Mountain ranges and island groups • National groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newspapers • Hotels • Cinemas • Theatres 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unique person or thing • Nouns made clear by context • Superlatives
INDEFINITE ARTICLE. A/AN	nouns mentioned for the first time or indifferent	Singular, countable nouns	×	×	×	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jobs • Numbers • Exclamations: WHAT+A+ singul. count. noun • To describe sb's features
ZERO ARTICLE	General sense	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uncountable • Countable in the plural • Abstract 	General sense with common nouns (= main use)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continents and countries • Mountains • Lakes • Villages, towns and cities • Streets, roads • Kings, popes 	Magazines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Illnesses • Expressions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Places ○ Activities ○ Transport ○ BY accident/mistake/chance/surprise/means of