



## Warm-up



Tick (✓) the group of words which makes complete sense.

1. cloudy sky
2. I need an umbrella.
3. heavy school bag
4. He is a good player.
5. a good TV programme
6. We go to the park every day.



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A **sentence** is a group of words that conveys complete sense. A sentence always begins with a capital letter. It always contains a noun or a pronoun. A sentence also always contains a verb. Sometimes, even one word can be a sentence. For example: *Come!* or *Sit!*

A. Join the words in the two columns to make complete sentences.

1. The student	a. was carrying the baby.
2. The house	b. were dark and grey.
3. The mother	c. landed a few minutes ago.
4. The clouds	d. cheered the team loudly.
5. The aeroplane	e. drove carefully.
6. The actors	f. took his bag and went to school.
7. My driver	g. performed brilliantly.
8. The crowd	h. is built on a lake.





Read these sentences.

- Kavita switched on the television.
- Grey clouds covered the sky.

These sentences state something.



Sentences that state something or give us information are called **statements**. They end with a full stop.

Now, read these sentences.

- Did you clean up the cupboard?
- Where does Preetika stay?

These sentences ask a question.

### Note

Questions usually start with **is, am, are, has, have, will, shall, do, does, was, were, did, shall, will, can, may, could, would, or should**. They may also start with a question word, such as **what, why, where, when, who, which, how**.



Sentences that ask something are called **questions**. They end with a question mark.



**B. Read the sentences. Tick (✓) S if the sentence is a statement and Q if the sentence is a question. Then, add the correct punctuation mark.**

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| 1. Where is the cat _____                  | S <input type="checkbox"/> | Q <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. I go to school by bus _____             | S <input type="checkbox"/> | Q <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. The player kicked the ball _____        | S <input type="checkbox"/> | Q <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Can you help me find my book _____      | S <input type="checkbox"/> | Q <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. What is your favourite colour _____     | S <input type="checkbox"/> | Q <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. We went to the museum last Sunday _____ | S <input type="checkbox"/> | Q <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Will you please close the door _____    | S <input type="checkbox"/> | Q <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Did you watch the film _____            | S <input type="checkbox"/> | Q <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. The bird was making its nest _____      | S <input type="checkbox"/> | Q <input type="checkbox"/> |



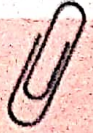


Read these sentences.

- Please help me.
- Please pass me the salt.

### Note

Sometimes, the subject of such sentences (**you**) is understood.



Such sentences are called **requests**.

Now, read these sentences.

- Don't talk so loudly.
- Keep silence in the library.



These sentences give orders. Such sentences are called **commands**.



Read these sentences.

- What a beautiful day it is!
- What a marvellous sight!

These sentences show strong feelings.



Sentences that express strong feelings and emotions are called **exclamations**. These sentences end with an exclamation mark.

**C. Read these sentences. Mark S for statement, Q for question, C for command, R for request and E for exclamation.**

1. Leave the class at once.
2. What a beautiful scene!
3. Where is your school?
4. Please advise us on this matter.
5. I live in a little house over the hill.
6. Who made this mess?

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7. Lathika walks to the station every day.
8. What a pleasant morning!
9. Will you help me carry the bag?
10. Raghu goes to school by bus.






**D. Rearrange these words to get proper sentences. Then, mark their kind.**

1. you work must hard

\_\_\_\_\_

2. sofa sitting Radhika on the was

\_\_\_\_\_

3. they results when announce the will

\_\_\_\_\_

4. goal missed Ranjan the

\_\_\_\_\_

5. getting it dark is

\_\_\_\_\_

6. quiet be

\_\_\_\_\_

7. father how your is

\_\_\_\_\_

8. going out am tonight I

\_\_\_\_\_



## Warm-up

Read the story. Underline the common nouns and circle the proper nouns.

Radha was a milkmaid. She lived in a village called Bhavnagar. She sold milk to earn a living.

One day, Radha was carrying a pot of milk on her head. She had to deliver the milk to her customers in a near by village named Holipura.

Radha had a habit of daydreaming. She said to herself, 'I will sell the milk and get a lot of money. With the money, I will buy some eggs. The eggs will hatch into fine chickens. The chickens will grow into hens. I will name my hens Heena and Keena. Then I will sell Heena and Keena and get more money. With that money I will buy nice silk dresses. I will look beautiful. Then people will ask me the secret of my wealth. I will toss my head and say, "No, I don't want to tell you."'

While Radha dreamt of tossing her head, she actually tossed her head. The pot of milk fell down and all the milk was spilt on the ground.

The name of a person, place, animal or thing in general is called a **common noun**. For example, milkmaid, village, hens and pot.

**Proper noun** is the special name given to a person, a place, an animal or a thing. For example, Radha, Bhavnagar, Holipura, Heena and Keena. The first letter of a proper noun is always capital.

## Note

Proper nouns are special names of

- people, such as Radha, Gaurav, Mrs Sharma, Virat Kohli, Harry Potter.
- countries, towns, villages, rivers, seas, lakes and mountains, such as India, Chennai, the Yamuna River, the Pacific Ocean, the Dal Lake, the Himalayas.
- days of the week, months of the year and festivals, such as Friday, June, Christmas, Holi, Republic Day.
- buildings, parks, stadiums, roads, airports, stations, malls, historical monuments, such as the Rashtrapati Bhavan, the India Gate, the Red Fort, the Eden Gardens, the Pacific Mall, Lodhi Road, Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport, New Delhi Railway Station.
- books, newspapers, magazines, such as *The Wind in the Willows*, *the Times of India*, *the Outlook*.



A. Identify the proper nouns and the common nouns in each of these sentences. Write P for proper nouns and C for common nouns.

1. My *sister* and I went to *Donald's Taco Place* for lunch.

C

P

C

2. Ravi bought a watch for Sujata.

3. My father took us to Shimla.

4. Mrs Menon is a very good teacher.

5. We went to Appu Water Park and played games there.

6. We went to the Paradise Mall to see a film.

7. My friend lives on Park Street.

8. Mona and Taruna went to see a play at the Broadway Theatre.

9. Rajni bakes the best cookies in town.



C. Underline the collective noun in each sentence.

1. The school team played well and won the match.
2. Schools of fish were caught in the net.
3. I saw a herd of elephants drinking water near a forest.
4. There are colonies of ants in our garden.
5. A pack of wolves ran through the pine forest.
6. People clapped as a pod of dolphins leaped out of the ocean.
7. There was a swarm of bees near the hive.
8. He was carrying a bundle of books to the staffroom.
9. I saw a sloth of bears in the zoo.
10. I saw a bunch of grapes on the table.



D. Find the coloured collective nouns in the word grid.

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|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. a heap of rubbish   | 2. a bundle of clothes  |
| 3. a pride of lions    | 4. a shower of rain     |
| 5. a bunch of grapes   | 6. a flock of sheep     |
| 7. a shoal of fish     | 8. a gang of robbers    |
| 9. a flight of birds   | 10. a brood of hens     |
| 11. a choir of singers | 12. an army of soldiers |



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F	U	H	P	R	I	D	E	L	H	L
W	N	Y	A	R	M	Y	K	O	O	I
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D	F	G	H	E	A	P	K	L	O	P
G	A	N	G	B	N	C	H	O	I	R





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

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Red Fort is \_\_\_\_\_ popular tourist destination.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ burgers we had from that restaurant were good.
3. At \_\_\_\_\_ zoo, I saw \_\_\_\_\_ elephant.
4. Angie wants \_\_\_\_\_ pup for her birthday.
5. Brian is \_\_\_\_\_ Goan.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ dog that bit me ran away.
7. I need \_\_\_\_\_ phone.
8. Mr Shastri is \_\_\_\_\_ teacher.
9. That is \_\_\_\_\_ excellent film.



The words **a**, **an** and **the** are **articles**. We use **a** and **an** to talk about a thing in general. They are called **indefinite articles**. We use **the** to talk about a specific thing. It is called a **definite article**.

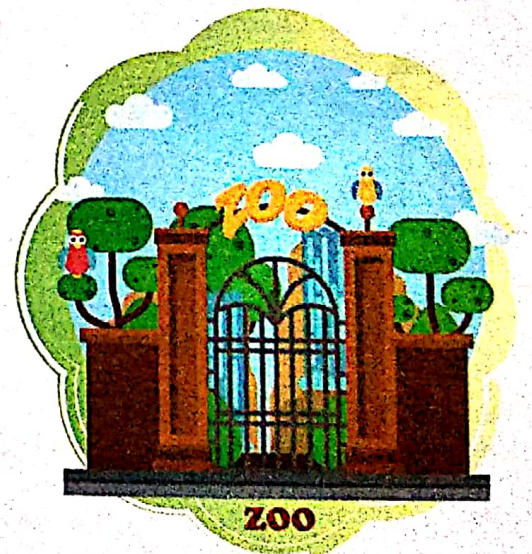
The article **a** is used

before a singular countable noun which begins with a consonant sound. For example,

- He is **a** banker.
- I visited **a** zoo in Delhi.

before a singular countable noun which starts with a vowel but has a consonant sound. For example,

- He studies in **a** university. ('u' sounds like 'you')
- Mark is **a** European.





3. before an adjective that comes before a countable noun. For example,

- He is a good driver.
- We gave her a picture book.

The article **an** is used

1. before a singular countable noun which begins with a vowel sound. For example,

- She is **an** actor.
- They live in **an** igloo.

2. before a singular countable noun which starts with a consonant but has a vowel sound. For example,

- His name starts with **an** F. ('f' sounds like 'eff')
- He is **an** MP. ('m' sounds like 'em')

3. before a silent h. For example,

- I'll meet you in **an** hour.
- He is **an** honest man.

#### A. Tick the correct option.

1. a/an aeroplane

3. a/an coin

5. a/an brush

7. a/an orange

9. a/an apple

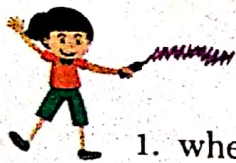
2. a/an owl

4. a/an ant

6. a/an tent

8. a/an window

10. a/an hour



The article **the** is used

1. when we talk about a particular noun. For example,

- **The** dog that bit me ran away.
- **The** sun and **the** moon are heavenly bodies.

2. before names of rivers, oceans, seas and mountains. For example, **the** Ganga, **the** Pacific Ocean, **the** Caspian Sea, **the** Himalayas.

3. before names of books, newspapers and magazines. For example, **the** *Panchatantra*, **the** *Times of India*, **the** *Outlook*.



4. before names of monuments and buildings. For example, the Red Fort, the Parliament House, the Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport.
5. before the names of countries with plural names. For example, the Philippines, the Maldives, the Netherlands.
6. before the names of countries that contain the words Republic, Democratic, Kingdom or States. For example, the United States of America, the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.
7. before nouns that are of certain cultures. For example, the Chinese dumplings, the Russian opera, the Indian prime minister.
8. before superlatives and ordinal numbers. For example,
  - This is the tallest building in Delhi.
  - I met him the third time at a mall.

### Note

We do not use the before the names of languages. For example,

- We learn English.
- They speak Chinese.

### B. Fill in the blanks with a, an or the.

1. I saw \_\_\_\_\_ strange bird yesterday.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ sun gives us light and heat.
3. Do you have \_\_\_\_\_ umbrella? I need it. It may rain.
4. Is there any milk in \_\_\_\_\_ fridge?
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Charminar is in Hyderabad.
6. It will take us \_\_\_\_\_ hour to reach there.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Jhelum is a river in \_\_\_\_\_ state of Punjab.
8. Sahil is \_\_\_\_\_ tallest boy in his class.
9. He is drinking \_\_\_\_\_ cup of coffee.
10. I want to be \_\_\_\_\_ pilot. My friend wants to be \_\_\_\_\_ astronaut.
11. I have \_\_\_\_\_ friend who lives near Quest Mall.



12. Yesterday was \_\_\_\_\_ coldest day of the season.
13. I will have \_\_\_\_\_ apple and \_\_\_\_\_ banana for lunch.
14. \_\_\_\_\_ Americans were \_\_\_\_\_ first to land on \_\_\_\_\_ moon.
15. I saw \_\_\_\_\_ eagle, \_\_\_\_\_ owl and \_\_\_\_\_ peacock in the bird sanctuary.

**C. Fill in the blanks with the correct article. Mark a cross (X) where none is required.**

1. Jack: I saw \_\_\_\_\_ interesting TV show last night.  
 Jane: What was \_\_\_\_\_ show about?  
 Jack: It was \_\_\_\_\_ magic show.  
 Jane: Who was \_\_\_\_\_ magician?  
 Jack: She was \_\_\_\_\_ old lady named Michele. She is from \_\_\_\_\_ France.  
 Jane: Where is that?  
 Jack: It is \_\_\_\_\_ country in \_\_\_\_\_ continent of \_\_\_\_\_ Europe.



2. Mohan: Tomorrow is my birthday.  
 Mohini: Yes, I remember, it is on \_\_\_\_\_ tenth of June.  
 Mohan: I am planning \_\_\_\_\_ party.  
 Mohini: That's \_\_\_\_\_ great idea! Where will \_\_\_\_\_ celebration be held?  
 Mohan: We could go to \_\_\_\_\_ water park near my home.
3. Rohini: I have \_\_\_\_\_ cat, \_\_\_\_\_ dog and \_\_\_\_\_ hamster.  
 Rohan: Oh! How do you manage all \_\_\_\_\_ pets?  
 Rohini: I don't have to look after \_\_\_\_\_ cat. It is smart. \_\_\_\_\_ hamster stays in \_\_\_\_\_ cage. My dog has to be taken care of.