

Determiners



Aim

- I can identify and use determiners.

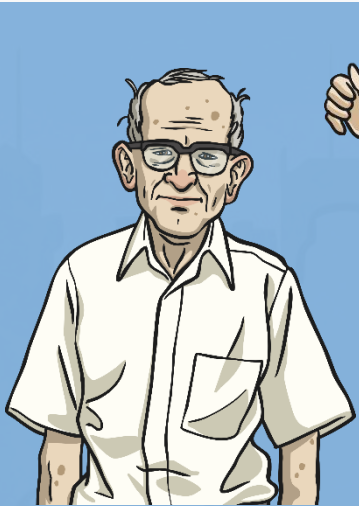
Success Criteria

- I can explain what a determiner is.
- I can identify determiners.
- I can explain where a determiner belongs in a sentence.
- I can explain that there are different types of determiners.
- I can include determiners in my own writing.

Understanding Determiners

Nouns

Nouns are often known as 'naming words' because they name people, places, objects and ideas.



Person:
Grandpa



Idea:
excitement



Object:
football

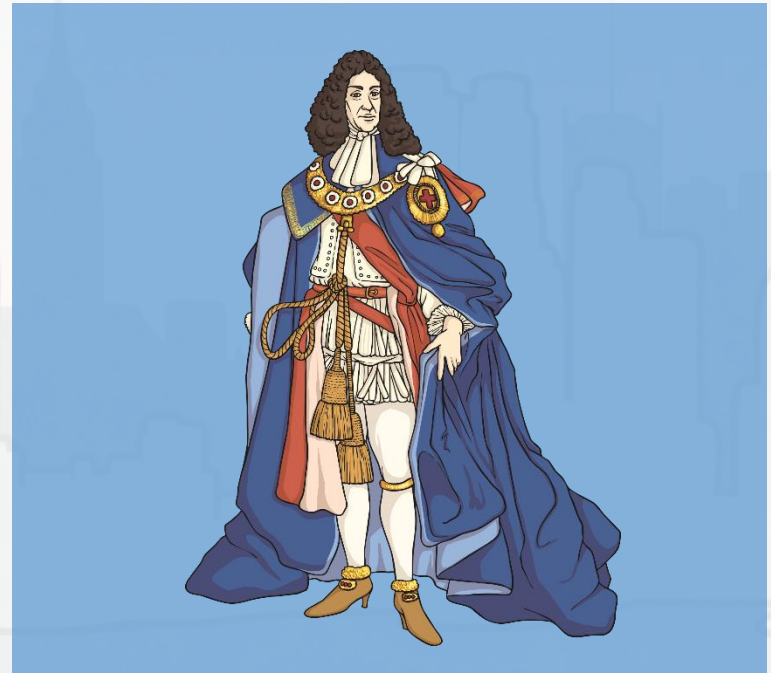
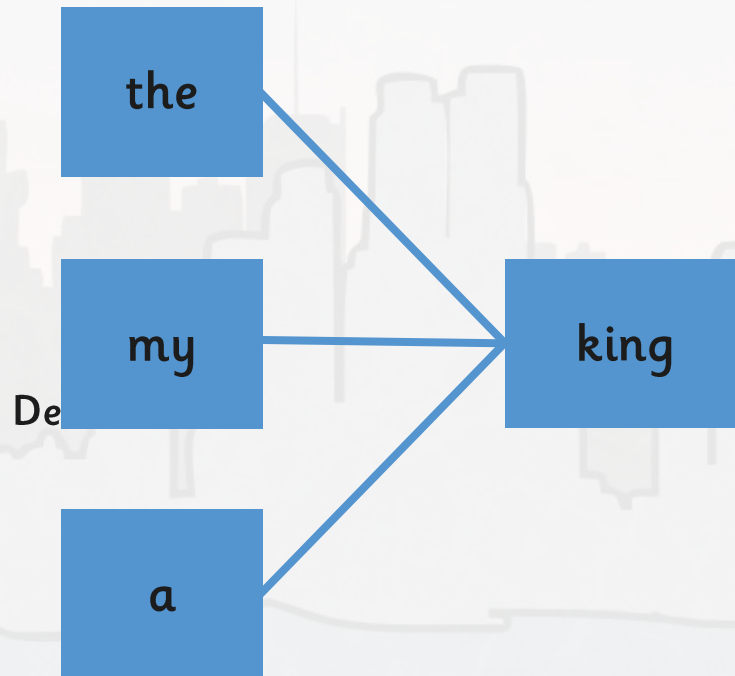


Place:
London

Understanding Determiners

What is a Determiner?

Determiners are words that come before a noun.
Determiners come before any modifiers such as adjectives.
They introduce the noun and give the reader important information about it.



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Specific Determiners

These refer to a specific noun. Use specific determiners when the reader knows exactly what noun you are referring to.

The definite article

the

which

Interrogative determiners

what

Demonstrative determiners

this

those

these

that

her

his

our

my

whose

their

your

Possessive determiners

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Specific Determiners in Action

Use specific determiners when the reader knows exactly what noun you are referring to.



Your pet budgie is smiling at me.

Which film did you go and see?



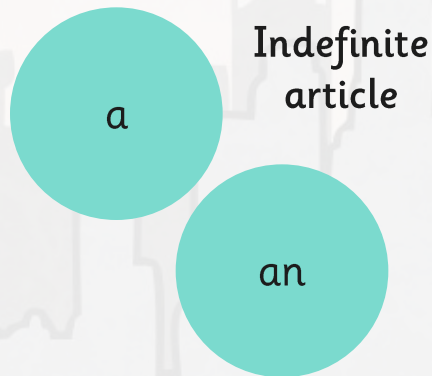
Try completing this sentence using a specific determiner:

_____ Dad's car broke down on the way home last night.

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General Determiners

These refer to general nouns or nouns that the reader does not know. **General determiners** can also tell the reader how many nouns you are talking about, these are called **quantifiers**.



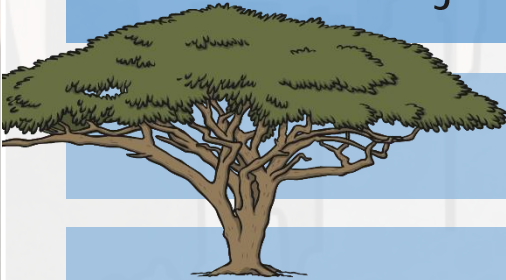
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Can you identify the determiner in this sentence?

Any computers must be turned off.



Now try these trickier sentences which have two determiners.



The river is just beyond those trees.

Five seagulls landed on the beach.

Whose socks are these stripy ones?



Understanding Determiners

Did you identify it correctly?

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Did you spot both the determiners in each sentence?

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Your Task

Copy these sentences into your books, underlining the determiners with a ruler and a pencil.

Be careful, some sentences have more than one!

- a) Several furious members of the public shouted up to Philippe as he crossed between the two towers.
- b) Philippe and his friend tied the rope to both of the towers.
- c) He placed a tight knot in the rope to keep it sturdy.
- d) Five seagulls were flying around Philippe high in the sky.
- e) Some people thought Philippe was crazy.
- f) The wind was strong, just like his strength.

Answers

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