

DEFINITE ARTICLE

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1. names of countries:
France, England, China
2. abstractions:
life, death, love, youth
3. human activities:
sociology, tennis, war
4. names of meals:
breakfast, dinner, lunch
5. parts of your body:
Raise your hand.
6. colours:
I hate red.
7. indefinite plurals:
Women live longer than men.
Cars pollute.
8. man, collectively:
Is Man stupid?
9. title after name of holder:
President Bush,
Prince Charles,
Queen Elizabeth
10. title after verb conveying mode of access to power:
He was elected president.

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11. names of some countries:
the USA, the Netherlands
12. abstractions determined by context:
the life of Lincoln
13. superlatives:
the best tennis I've ever seen
14. musical instruments:
she play the violin.
15. colours in context:
I like the red of your dress.
16. singular noun referring to a larger group :
The elephant is wise.
17. title:
The president, the prince,
the ambassador