

T 2 Articles (U 29, 30)

1. Explain the use of articles in bold in the following sentences:

1. It was late when we were going home. **The sun** was going down.
2. a) **Cars** are expensive today.
b) **The cars** which were parked in front of our house were towed away.
c) I need to buy **a car**.
3. a) Have you read **the book** I gave you for your birthday?
b) What shall I buy her? – Well, what about **a book** or a CD?
c) I like to read **books** about animals.
d) Where are **the books** you borrowed from me?
4. a) Is this **salt** or **sugar**?
b) Can you pass me **the salt**, please?
5. a) You always need **money**.
b) Kate put **the money** in her purse.
6. a) Sally can play **the piano** very well.
b) We do not have enough room for **a piano**.
7. a) **The tiger** can swim. / **Tigers** can swim.
b) **The tiger** we saw in the zoo looked ill.
8. a) David is in **hospital**. He has had an accident. (BrE)
b) Mary waited in **the hospital** for news.
9. a) **School** finishes at half past three. / Her children still go to **school**.
b) **The school** is near here. / Her mother went to **the school** to talk to her teacher.
10. a) We have **dinner** at about eight. / I didn't have **dinner** last night.
b) **The dinner** David cooked was excellent.
11. a) **All children** should learn foreign languages.
b) **All the children** at the party were wearing masks.
12. a) Is there **a bank** near here?
b) I am going to **the bank**. I'll be back in an hour or so.

2. Complete the sentences using *a, the, or -*:

1. elephants are intelligent animals.
2. There is elephant in the picture.
3. I would like new computer for my birthday.

4. I'm sorry, I can't help. I don't understandcomputers.
5. In Britain a lot of people play cricket in summer.
6. I had breakfast at 7, so I am quite hungry.
7. OK, I'll see you at breakfast.
8. Would you like apple? – Yes, please.
9. Do you like fruit? – Well, I like apples.
10. apples you gave me were nice. Where did you buy them?
11. I like watching television but John prefers listening to radio.
12. Tony readsbooks about history, so he might like this one.
13. Kate is good cook, but I am not very good at cooking.
14. accountant is a person who keeps or checks financial accounts.
15. sugar is not healthy for your teeth.

4. *Complete the sentences with a/an, the or zero:*

1. I'm going to bed. I've got headache.
2. He put his clothes on bed.
3. These apples are 90 p ... kilo.
4. What speed are we doing? – 100 km per hour. / 100 km hour.
5. That's woman we met last night. Do you remember her name?
6. British are known for being quite reserved.
7. Mary is not in. She has gone to butcher's.
8. We spend our holidays in ... country in summer and in mountains in winter.
9. I've got appointment this afternoon. I'm going to dentist's.
10. A lot of people are giving up meat these days and become vegetarians.
11. We must be home before midnight, so we'd better take taxi.
12. We are invited to Smiths for ... lunch. We will meet at noon at their place.
13. What's time, please? – I'm sorry, I haven't got ... watch.
14. My children do not like ... milk in their tea.
15. whales are in danger of becoming extinct.
16. I bought a newspaper on my way to work.
17. Which of the jackets do you like better? - blue one.
18. What beautiful watch! Was it expensive?
19. I'd like to go skiing in Alps this year.
20. It is such ... good film. I would like to see it again.

5. *Correct the mistakes in the following sentences. Some sentences are correct.*

1. The exercise is on the page 55, isn't it?
2. Look at picture 1. What is it?
3. French are wine lovers.
4. Don't forget we are meeting on Friday for lunch.
5. Rich people have comfortable lives.
6. I am usually free on Wednesday, so I can pick you up.
7. Oh, I'm sorry, you're having a lunch. I'll come later.
8. Does it snow here at the Christmas? – Well, not much.
9. Can you read the question 5, please?
10. How often do you go to cinema? – About once a month.
11. When is she getting married? – At the end of this month.
12. I don't like swimming in sea. – Why not?
13. I can't find my bag. I must have left it in taxi.
14. River Thames flows through London.
15. He is studying history at university.
16. Don't waste this opportunity. The life is short.
17. Can you go to supermarket and get some butter?
18. I'll wait for you outside school.
19. You have such a beautiful shoes. Where did you buy them?
20. His father is a policeman and his mother is a teacher.