

Definite Article: The

The is a definite article and is a marker for known nouns or when the noun or group of nouns is unique.

Uses

- when a noun has already been mentioned
- before singular countable and uncountable nouns
- before plural countable nouns
- when a noun or group of nouns is considered unique

Example

It is a book. The book is red.

The cola is cold.

The sausage is hot.

The boys are playing.

The sky is blue.

The sun is big.

A. Make the statements.

1. (pen/blue) The pen is blue.

2. (boats/big) The boats are big.

3. (driver/driving) _____

4. (grass/green) _____

5. (noodles/cold) _____

6. (clouds/white) _____

7. (school/small) _____

8. (computer/old) _____

9. (soup/hot) _____

10. (cook/cooking) _____

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B. Complete the statements.

1. It is a book. (old) The book is old. _____
2. They are eggs. (white) _____
3. It is a ball. (round) _____
4. It is the sun. (hot) _____
5. They are textbooks. (on table) _____
6. They are cats. (fat) _____
7. It is water. (blue) _____
8. They are students. (young) _____

C. Circle the correct article.

1. A / The sun is big.
2. It is the / an orange.
3. The / A moon is big tonight.
4. I like the / a pink one.
5. The / A big dog is black.
6. The / A pens are on the table.
7. I do not like a / the coffee.
8. A / The yellow book is square.
9. He is sitting on the / a grass.
10. The / A cheese is nice.
11. It is an / the old pen.
12. The / A bicycle is red.
13. The / A boys are eating lunch.
14. The books are on a / the table.
15. A / The sea is very calm.
16. The play is an / the hour long.
17. They are a / the doctors.
18. My sister is a / the student.