

The

Use **the** when the listener knows exactly which one you mean: because you've mentioned it before, because it's clear from the situation, or because there's only one: *I talked to the manager. Close the door. The sun is hot.* It works with singular, plural and uncountable nouns.

I talked to **the manager**.



the manager

we both know which one

1. Choose the right answer

Circle a or b.

1. I bought a shirt and a jacket. _____ jacket was on sale.
a) A b) The
2. Can you pass me _____ salt, please?
a) the b) a
3. _____ moon was full last night.
a) A b) The
4. This is _____ most expensive restaurant in town.
a) the b) a
5. Who's _____ woman in the red coat?
a) a b) the

2. Correct the mistake

Each sentence has one mistake. Write the correct sentence.

1. Sun is very strong today.

2. She's best student in the class.

3. I love the music.

3. Your turn

Write three sentences of your own that use this rule. You can use these phrases.

the same

the first

the best

the end

in the morning

at the moment

on the left

play the piano

See the rule move

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The

1. Choose the right answer

1. **b) The** Second mention: now the listener knows which jacket.
2. **a) the** It's clear which salt: the salt on the table. And salt is uncountable, so a isn't possible.
3. **b) The** There's only one moon in our sky.
4. **a) the** Superlatives take the.
5. **b) the** In the red coat tells you exactly which woman.

2. Correct the mistake

1. **The sun is very strong today.** There's only one sun, so it takes the.
2. **She's the best student in the class.** Superlatives take the.
3. **I love music.** Music in general takes no article. Use the only for particular music: I love the music in this film.

3. Your turn

Answers will vary. Check that each sentence follows the rule on page 1, or paste them into Clarigram to have them checked.