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3. DETERMINERS

Determiners are words which specify the range of reference of a noun. A Determiner determines or limits a noun phrase, showing whether a phrase is definite (e.g. the, this, my), indefinite (e.g. a, some, much), or limiting it in some other way, such as through negation (e.g. no).

Determiners include :

- (1) **The Articles** – a, an, the
- (2) **The Demonstratives** – this, that, these, those
- (3) **Possessive Pronouns** – my, our, your, his, her, its, their
- (4) **Quantifiers** – no, all, any, (a) few, much, many, some, more, less, both, each, every, several, either, neither, enough
- (5) **Numerals** – one, two, first, third, etc.

To understand the grammatical role of the Determiners, we have to see what determiners and nouns occur together. The following table shows how Determiners combine with nouns :

How Determiners Combine With Nouns			
Determiner Type	Countable Nouns		Uncountable Nouns (Singular)
	Singular Nouns	Plural Nouns	
zero article	-	dogs	Money
indefinite article	a dog	-	-
definite article	the dog	the dogs	the money
Possessive	my/your dog	my/your dog	my/your money
Demonstrative	this dog	these dogs	this money
	that dog	those dogs	that money
	every /each dog	-	-
	-	all (the) dogs	all (the) money
	-	many dogs	much money



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Numeral	-	some dogs	some money
	-	(a) few dogs	(a) little money
	-	enough dogs	enough money
	-	several dogs	-
	either/neither dog	both dogs	-
	any dog	any dogs	any money
	no dog	no dogs	no money
one dog	two/three dogs	-	

Sometimes more than one determiner occurs in the same noun phrase. **e.g.** all the books. In such cases, the determiners occur in a fixed order.

ACTIVITY

1. Fill in the blanks with the correct determiners from those given in the brackets:

- (1) He doesn't speak ----- English. (much/many)
- (2) I do yoga for an hour ----- day. (all/every)
- (3) Not ----- birds can fly. (every/all)
- (4) I work ----- day except Sunday. (every/each)
- (5) There is a shop at ----- end of the street. (every/each)

2. Underline the determiners in the following sentences :

- (1) You must pay the rent by the fifth day of every month.
- (2) They don't have enough money to buy the house.
- (3) This was the beggar's first meal after many days of fasting.
- (4) She was there all day.
- (5) There is no need to give any gifts.



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3. Fill in the blanks choosing the correct alternative from the brackets:

- (1) I want you to go to ----- Mummy, because ----- legs are longer than mine. (his/my, your/their)
- (2) You go along till you come to ----- trees (----- are trees), and then you go over ----- hill (that's ----- hill) and then you come into ----- breaver-swamp ----- full of beavers.
(second/two, these/those, a/an, a/the, a/the, many/all)
- (3) It was ----- hot afternoon, and ----- railway carriage was correspondingly sultry, and ----- next stop was at Templecombe, nearly ----- hour ahead. (one/a, the/that, a/the, a/an)
- (4) She only knew ----- line, but she put ----- limited knowledge to ----- fullest possible use. (a one/the first, her/their, all/the)
- (5) "Why weren't there ----- flowers?" (some/any)
- (6) ----- matters, however, are ----- easily brought to the test of experience. (Much/Many, less/more)
- (7) In ----- opinion ----- parties may be right. (this/these, no/both)

4. Spot the error and correct the sentences :

- (1) A boy is not enough old to attend school.

Ans. -----

- (2) Was there many traffic on a road?

Ans. -----



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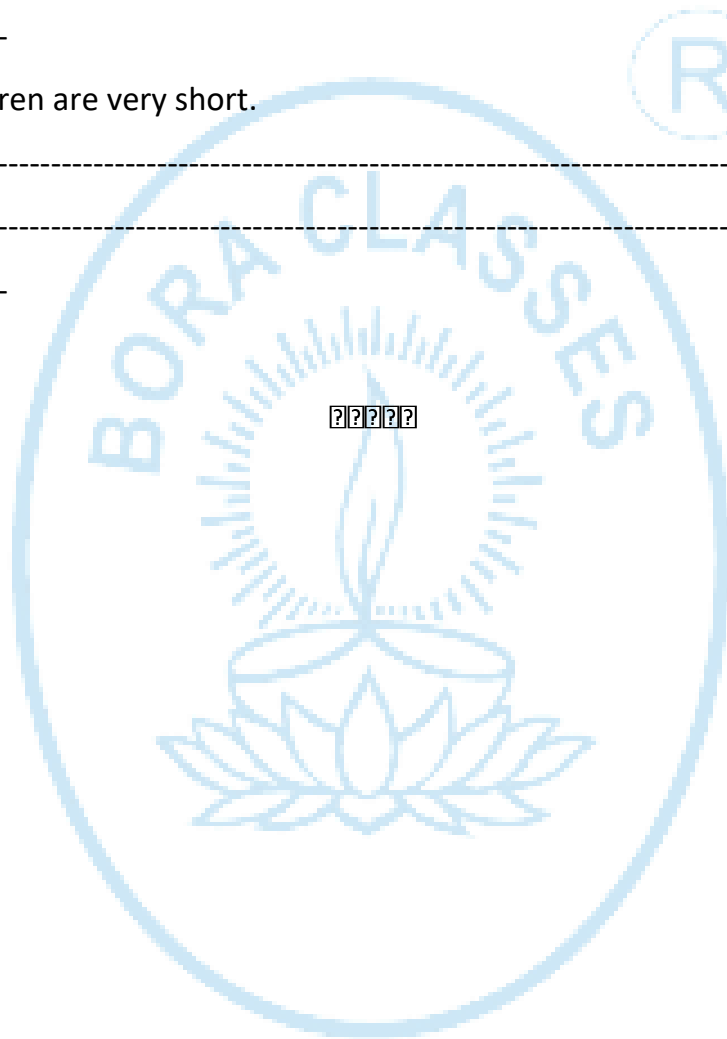
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(3) Are there some hotels nearby?

Ans. -----

(4) Either children are very short.

Ans. -----



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