Group A

5.2 Articles: no article, *a/an* or *the*

**Exercise 1**

**1** the: We use *the* with some countries such as *the UK, the USA,* and *the Netherlands.*

**2** the: We use *the* when the thing we are talking about is known, or there is only one.

**3** –: We don’t use an article with continents, countries or cities.

**4** a: We use *a/an* with jobs.

**5** –: We don’t use an article when we are talking about things in general.

**6** the: We use *the* with superlatives.

**7** the: We use *the* when the thing we are talking about is known, or there is only one.

**8** an: We use *a/an* to talk about something for the first time.

**Exercise 2**

**1** I read an interesting magazine article yesterday.: We use *a/an* to talk about something for the first time.

**2** These are the smallest monkeys in Africa.: We use *the* with superlatives, but we don’t use an article with continents.

**3** The events took place in the 18th century.: We use *the* with historical periods.

**4** He believes that poverty will never affect people in the USA. : We use *the* with some countries such as *the UK, the USA,* and *the Netherlands*, but we don’t use an article to talk about things in general.

**5** correct: We don’t use articles to talk about things in general, and we don’t use articles with cities.

**6** Monica’s mum is a doctor.: We use *a/an* with jobs.

**7** correct: We don’t use articles to talk about things in general.

Group B

5.2 Articles: no article, *a/an* or *the*

**Exercise 1**

**1** the: We use *the* when the thing we are talking about is known, or there is only one.

**2** a: We use *a/an* to talk about something for the first time.

**3** –: We don’t use an article when we are talking about things in general.

**4** –: We don’t use an article with continents, countries or cities.

**5** the: We use *the* with historical periods.

**6** an: We use *a/an* to talk about something for the first time.

**7** the: We use *the* with superlatives.

**8** –: We don’t use an article when we are talking about things in general.

**Exercise 2**

**1** I have been living in the UK for about a year now.: We use *the* with some countries such as *the UK, the USA,* and *the Netherlands.*

**2** Madrid wasn’t a big city 500 years ago.: We use *a/an* to talk about something for the first time.

**3** correct: We use *the* when the thing we are talking about is known, or there is only one, and we don’t use an article to talk about things in general.

**4** There were a lot of problems in the 1990s.: We use *the* with historical periods.

**5** I was 12 when I travelled to Asia for the first time.: We use *the* with superlatives.

**6** correct: We use *a/an* when we talk about something for the first time.

**7** Jackie has travelled all over the world.: We use *the* when the thing we are talking about is known, or there is only one.