

Just a Myth?



a English people drink tea every day at five o'clock.

b Italian people eat pasta every day.

c It's always cold in Moscow.

d All Spanish people enjoy bullfighting.



e Japanese people are very polite.

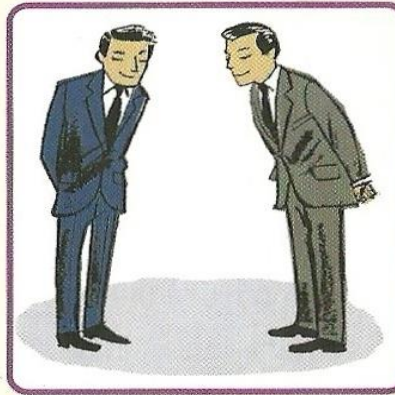
f People in Argentina are crazy about football.

g People in the United States are very keen on fast food.

h People in Australia have a lot of barbecues.

i You often see camels in Arab countries.

j Men in Scotland normally wear kilts.



I think it is
true/false.

1) Look at the sentences and complete the rules by circling the correct answer.

1. English people drink tea every day at five o'clock.

When we talk about people or things in general, we usually use 'the' / no article.

1. Italian people eat pasta everyday.

With the names of people and countries, we usually use 'the' / no article.

2) Which of the following phrases needs an article?

at _____ home

at _____ night

at _____ top

in _____ afternoon

in _____ south

in _____ world

on _____ holiday

on _____ left

on _____ coast

When to use or not use 'the'

We don't use 'the':

- When talking about people or things in general e.g. *People have two legs/Dogs have four legs.*
- With the names of people and countries e.g. *Korean people use chopsticks.*
- With many place names e.g. *Continents – Asia Mountains – Halla mountain*
Cities - Busan Lakes – Chunju lake
Countries – Korea Hills – Gloster hill
Islands – Jeju island.

We use 'the':

- When there is only one of something e.g. *the moon, the sun.*
- With the superlative form e.g. *the biggest*
- With some place names e.g. *Oceans and seas – the East sea Rivers – the Han river,*
Mountain ranges – the Himalayas
Countries which are republics/unions – the Republic of Korea.

Make some general statements about Korean people using some of the ideas from below.

All Most
Many A lot of
A few 50% of



Korean people
Men/women
Young/old people
Small children



Kimchi/rice/spicy food
Water/milk/soju
Sport/baseball/soccer
Spider/rats
Ghosts/monsters
Kim Yon-a/Park Geun-hye



Love/hate
(don't) drink/eat/like/make
are frightened of
are good/bad at

My general statements

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

5) _____

Complete the sentences with ‘the’ if it is needed. After listen to the recording and check if the sentence is true or false.

True/False

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| 1) _____ Asia is bigger than _____ Europe. | _____ |
| 2) _____ New York is _____ biggest city in _____ world. | _____ |
| 3) _____ Mount Fugi is in _____ Japan. It's _____ highest mountain in _____ world. | _____ |
| 4) _____ Queen of England lives in _____ Downing Street. | _____ |
| 5) _____ Mediterranean Sea is bigger than _____ Pacific Ocean. | _____ |
| 6) _____ Sun is smaller than _____ moon. | _____ |
| 7) _____ Himalayas are in _____ Asia. | _____ |
| 8) You can always see _____ Moon in _____ sky at _____ night. | _____ |
| 9) _____ Mississippi River is in _____ United States. | _____ |

Complete the sentences about yourself using articles where necessary.

1) I live in _____. It's in _____ of _____.
(city) (North/south) (country)

2) The continent I would most like to visit is _____.

3) The country I would most like to visit is _____.

4) The best place I have ever visited is _____.

5) I think _____ people are very _____.
(nationality)

6) At 11am I'm usually _____.
(work/school/university)

7) At 11pm I'm usually _____.
(home/bed/other)

8) I have my English lessons _____.
(morning/afternoon/evening)

9) I am sitting _____ of the classroom.
(left/middle/right)