

Unit - 1

DETERMINERS

Determiners are words that go before nouns. They determine the nouns in terms of number, quantity, definite or indefinite.

A a, an, the, most, each, ten, more, either, neither, lot, another, several, both.....

- B.1. the word used before building in Sentence 1 is 'the' (definite article) and in sentence 2 is 'a' (indefinite article)

Can you think of a reason why different words are used before building in these two sentences?

In the first sentence, we are referring to a specific building whereas in sentence 2, the reference is **to any building**.

- B2. a. the
b. a
c. a
d. the
e. a
f. the
g. an
h. the

- B3 I drove on the Time Machine without changing the lever. At last, I stopped; the sun was red and very large and a huge reddish rock was there. The Time Machine, in which I sat, was standing on a sloping beach and I saw the sea stretch to the horizon, without any waves. No breath of wind stirred and I began to breathe very fast and felt an oppression in my head. I heard a harsh scream and saw a thing like a huge butterfly. But as I turned to look around again, I froze. The reddish mass of rock was moving towards me. I realized that it was a monstrous crablike creature. I felt a tickle on my cheek, as though a fly had lighted there. I struck at this and caught something thread like. With horror I realized that I had just grasped the antenna of the monster crab. In a moment I had pulled the lever. I placed a time of one month between myself and these monsters.

B.5. Which river is considered to be the holiest river in India?

The Ganges

Which is the highest mountain range in India?

The Everest

C Determiners with countable and uncountable nouns

C1 Add a suitable noun to each of the following determiners in the box below

a pen	both dresses	few ideas	much discussion
all classes	each project	little use	neither answer
an eraser	either student	many ways	no clue
another chance	enough food	more possibilities	any option
every citizen	most computers	several foreigners	one candidate
some water	two/three sheets	a lot of courage	

C.2

Countable (C)	Uncountable (U)	Both (C) and (U)
a pen	some water	some pens / some water
both dresses	much discussion	no clue / no money
few ideas	little use	more possibilities / more milk
all classes	enough food	any option / any suggestion
each project	a lot of courage	
neither answer		
an eraser		
either student		
many ways		
another chance		
every citizen		
most computers		
several foreigners		
one candidate		
two/ three sheets		

C3 Please note that these are just samples. Any other suitable determiner may be used depending on whether the noun is countable or uncountable

several mango groves

two ghats

the river Ganga

several prayer flags

several ascetics

many boats

numerous tourists

some temples

many devotees

a team of security officials

very little sand

D. Determiners- Summary

D.1. Kindly note that this is just a sample. Any other suitable answer may be accepted.

Dear Mom and Dad

I am having a good time here with the Awasthis. Karan Awasthi is a Manager in a five star hotel while his wife, Nayantara is a post graduate from Delhi University. They are recently married and are now living in Gurgaon. They are a good couple, made for each other, sharing interests in reading, music, enjoying films together and travelling. They are on the look out for a new accommodation as they are not happy with the present house. They have seen several houses but have not yet decided on any. The Awasthis are also planning a holiday to Ranikhet and Ramgarh.

- D.2. 1. a
2. the
3. many
4. many
5. the

6. many

7. the

8. a

9. a

10. more

D.3.

A. (1) these (2) pair

B. (3) little (4) an (5) any

A. (6) several (7) the

B. (8) the

A. (9) a (10) another

B. (11) little (12) many

A. (13) few

B. (14) this

D.4. (1) the (2) my (3) a (4) an
(5) India's (6) those (7) any (8) little
(9) a little (10) some (11) each (12) other
(13) three (14) the little (15) any