

## the . . .

A

We use **the** when it is clear which thing or person we mean:

- What is **the name** of this street? (there is only one name)
- Who is **the best player** on your team? (there is only one best player)
- Can you tell me **the time**, please? (= the time *now*)
- My office is on **the first floor**. (= the first floor of the building)

Don't forget **the**:

- Do you live near **the airport**? (*not* near airport)
- Excuse me, where is **the nearest bank**? (*not* where is nearest . . .)

B

## the same . . .

- We live on **the same street**. (*not* on same street)
- "Are these two books different?" "No, they're **the same**." (*not* they're same)

C

We say:

**the sun / the moon / the world / the sky / the ocean / the country**

- The sky** is blue, and **the sun** is shining.
- Do you live in a city or in **the country**?

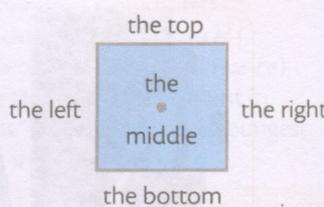


**the police / the fire department / the army** (of a city, country, etc.)

- My brother is a soldier. He's in **the army**.
- What do you think of **the police**? Do they do a good job?

**the top / the end / the middle / the left**, etc.

- Write your name at **the top of** the page.
- My house is at **the end of** this block.
- The table is in **the middle of** the room.
- Do you drive on **the right** or on **the left** in your country?



(play) **the piano / the guitar / the trumpet**, etc. (musical instruments)

- Anna is learning to play **the piano**.



**the radio**

- I listen to **the radio** a lot.



**the Internet**

- What do you use **the Internet** for?

D

We do *not* use **the** with:

**television/TV**

- I watch **TV** a lot.
- What's on **television** tonight?

**but** Can you turn off **the TV**? (= the TV set)



**breakfast/lunch/dinner**

- What did you have for **breakfast**? (*not* the breakfast)
- Dinner** is ready!

**next/last + week/month/year/summer/Monday**, etc.

- I'm not working **next week**. (*not* the next week)
- Did you take a vacation **last summer**? (*not* the last summer)

## Exercises

68.1 Put in **the** where necessary. Write **OK** if the sentence is already correct.

- What is name of this street?
- What's on TV tonight?
- Our apartment is on second floor.
- Would you like to go to moon?
- What is best hotel in this town?
- What time is lunch?
- How far is it to football stadium?
- We're taking a trip at end of May.
- What are you doing next weekend?
- I didn't like her first time I met her.
- I'm going out after dinner.
- It's easy to get information from Internet.
- My sister got married last month.
- My dictionary is on top shelf on right.
- We live in country about 10 miles from nearest town.

the name

OK

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68.2 Complete the sentences. Use **the same** + these words:

age    color    problem    street    time

- I live on North Street, and you live on North Street. We live on **the same street**.
- I arrived at 8:30, and you arrived at 8:30. We arrived at **the same time**.
- Jim is 25, and Sue is 25. Jim and Sue are **the same age**.
- My shirt is dark blue, and so is my jacket. My shirt and jacket are **the same color**.
- I have no money, and you have no money. We have **the same problem**.

68.3 Look at the pictures and complete the sentences. Use **the** if necessary.

- The sun is shining.
- She's playing **the guitar**.
- They're having **breakfast** in the morning.
- He's watching **TV**.
- They're swimming in **the sea**.
- Tom's name is **the** 6th on the list.

68.4 Complete these sentences. Choose from the list. Use **the** if necessary.

capital    dinner    lunch    middle    name    police    sky    TV

- We had **dinner** at a restaurant last night.
- We stayed at a very nice hotel, but I don't remember **the name**.
- the sky** is very clear tonight. You can see all the stars.
- Sometimes there are some good programs on **TV** late at night.
- the police** stopped me because I was driving too fast.
- Tokyo is **the capital** of Japan.
- "What did you have for **lunch**?" "A salad."
- I woke up in **the middle** of the night.