

Chapter 15 Bookwork

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- Exercise 1 (choose any 5 of a-j) *Write an original sentence or two to illustrate the following terms. Underline the term in your example.*
 - a. common count noun: This is the boy I was talking about.
 - b. common noncount noun: The apple is delicious.
 - c. proper noun: Our current president is Donald Trump.
 - d. definite article (situational use): Let me see the red book.
 - e. definite article (textual use): The boy placed all of his notebooks on the desk. The red notebook is his homework notebook.

- Exercise 4 (choose any 5 of a-g) *Classify the following definite articles according to the classification system of Liu and Gleason (2002): situation use, textual use, cultural use, and structural use.*
 - a. Have you seen *the* film that just won the award for best picture? **(Structural Use)**
 - b. Let me have *the* check. It's my turn to pay. (spoken immediately after the waiter brings the check) **(Situational Use)**
 - c. I did a grammar course last year. My friend is going to do *the* course next year. **(Textual Use)**
 - d. When's *the* last time you really had a good time? **(Structural Use)**
 - e. Watch out for *the* rude fans. Sometimes they get out of control. (inside a sports stadium) **(Situational Use)**

- Exercise 5 (a-d) *Explain the different speaker conceptualizations for the noun coffee in the following sentences:*

a. Coffee is a stimulant.

Coffee is being referred to as a substance.

b. I'd like a coffee, please.

Coffee is being referred to as a cup of coffee.

c. The coffee here is good.

Coffee is being referred to as a substance that can be compared to other establishments that sell coffee as well.

d. The café has dozens of different coffees.

Coffee is being referred to as a substance that comes in various types.

- Exercise 6 (choose any 3 of a-e) *Each sentence below has been uttered by an ESL/EFL student. Give reasons for your corrections using concepts and terminology from the chapter.*

a.

b. "Do we have a homework tonight?" The noun "homework" is a noncount verb, therefore the zero article should be used, meaning that the article "a" should not be used.

c. "Yesterday I heard the good joke. Let me tell it to you." (the listeners do not know what joke the speaker is talking about) The speaker should use "a good joke" instead of "the good joke" because the listeners are not able to distinguish

the joke as being unique among other jokes. Instead, to the listener, it is a single joke that is not being singled out from other jokes.

d.

e. “Do you live near Mediterranean Sea?” The speaker should say “The Mediterranean Sea” because it is being distinguished among other seas, therefore the definite article must be used.