

Determiners

A determiner is a word that introduces a noun such as **a, an, every, three, many** and **those**. The determiner **'the'** is also known as the **definite article** and the determiners **'a'** and **'an'** are also known as the **indefinite article**.

Determiners can be split into several categories depending on their usage. These include: possessive determiners, interrogative determiners, demonstrative determiners and quantifiers.

Possessive determiners - come before a noun to indicate ownership, such as:

My leg hurts.

It's **his** toy.

Bring **your** children with you.

Interrogative determiners - normally used at the start of questions about a noun, for example:

Whose coat is this?

Which house is it?

What university do you go to?

Demonstrative determiners - point to specific nouns and demonstrate how near or far they are, for example:

Those shoes (over there) are mine.

These shoes (here) are mine.

Quantifiers are used to give information about the number or amount of an item, for example:

Three cats sat on the fence.

There were **many** people there.

Some birds can't fly.

Complete the following activities (answers are at the end to check):

Using the information above, sort the determiners under the correct heading:



what his her our which
more your those their a less
my any this an many the
these few that four some

Definite and indefinite articles	Possessive Determiners	Interrogative Determiners	Demonstrative Determiners	Quantifiers

Desperate Daisy Determiner

Year 4 Grammar: Determiners

Desperate Daisy Determiner is rounding up possessive determiners for the rodeo. Help her by using your lasso to circle the possessive determiners in each sentence. Remember, possessive determiners explain who the nouns belongs to – they demonstrate possession! The first one has been done for you.



1. Daisy sat on her porch while watching the animals.
2. Where is my lasso?
3. Jessie put his leather hat on before going out.
4. The cowboys rode their horses into town.
5. Is your name Billy Pickett?
6. "Our ranch is far away," said the cowgirl.

Now it's your turn! Write three sentences of your own using some of the possessive determiners from the sentences above. Underline the possessive determiner in each sentence.

Quantifier Quiz

Year 4 Grammar: Determiners

Quantifiers are a type of determiner that we use when we want to give information about the number or amount of something; they tell us **how much** or **how many**. Choose one of the **quantifiers** from the list below that fits best in each sentence.

three	some	many	few	fewer	some	more	any
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1. There were only a _____ biscuits left in the biscuit tin.
2. In the game, Aaron had _____ points than Chelsey. That's why he lost!
3. José saw _____ dogs whilst walking in the park.
4. There were _____ people in the swimming pool; it was almost full to capacity.
5. "I want _____ chocolate!" shouted the toddler.
6. "Are there _____ left?" asked Neeta.
7. _____ people have blue eyes.

Spelling - Look, say, cover, write.

Practise the following Y3/4 spellings:

Accident Actual Address Answer

Accidentally Actually Although Appear

Apply your understanding of the words by writing them correctly in a sentence.

At the end of the week, ask an adult to **test** you on these spellings and see how you get on.

PAG answers:

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the a an	her his our my their your	which what	this those these that	more less any few some many four

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1. There were only a **few** biscuits left in the biscuit tin.
2. In the game, Aaron had **fewer** points than Chelsey. That's why he lost!
3. José saw **three** dogs whilst walking in the park.
4. There were **many** people in the swimming pool; it was almost full to capacity.
5. "I want **more** chocolate!" shouted the toddler.
6. "Are there **any** left?" asked Neeta.
7. **Some** people have blue eyes.