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Class - 8th Subject - English Grammar

Chapter - 1st - Determiners

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Hello Students, today we are going to study about determiners. First of all we have to know what is Determiners.

Determiners are the words which come / precede before noun and modify them.

Examples -

This book is mine.
Determiner Noun

In this sentence 'This' has come before a noun 'book' so in this sentence 'This' is the determiner.

This is my book.

In this sentence 'This' has come before a verb and there

is no Noun ~~after~~ after 'this' so this is not a determiner in this sentence. In this sentence 'this' is a demonstrative pronoun.

eg.
Some Students are intelligent

In this sentence 'Some' is a determiner that has come before a noun 'Students'.

(i) Some Students are intelligent
Determiners ↓
 Noun

(ii) Some are intelligent students

In second sentence 'Some' is not a 'Determiners' because there is no Noun after 'Some' so 'Some' is only a pronoun.

Types of Determiner

Determiner are four types -

- (i) Articles - A, An, The
- (ii) Demonstrative - This, These, That, Those
- (iii) Possessive - My, Your, our, His, Her, its, their.
- (iv) Quantifiers - Some, Any, little, a little, The little, Few, a few, The few. Each, Every, Either, Neither, All, Both, less, much, many.

Some/ Any

→ 'Some' is used in affirmative sentences.

→ 'Any' is used in Negative and Interrogative sentences.

E.g.

(i) He did not give any milk.

(ii) There is some milk in the pot.

(iii) Do you have any grammar book?

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(iii) There are Some books on the table

Few / A Few / The Few

Few → It is used with plural countable noun to show the number.

→ It is used in Hardly any situation when it gives negative sense

e.g.

Few boys are illiterate in our village.

- It's mean in our village the number of illiterate boys are very less in the percentage. Only 5% in 100%.

A Few - Its give positive meaning
- Its mean at least.

e.g. I have a few books in my bags.

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Its mean there are some books in my bags. Its gives Positive meaning so its mean 60% in 100%

The Few — Not many but all of them
Its mean percentage is Very less but whole of them.

e.g.

I read the ^{few} books I had.

Its mean the less books I had I read whole of it.

Little / A little / The Little

Little → It is used Singular uncountable noun.

→ It shows the quantity.

→ Its mean Hardly any
Its gives negative sense

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e.g.

We have little hope of his recovery.

Its mean the hope of his recovery is very less. It also gives negative sense. so in 100% the hope of his recovery is only 5%.

A Little → Its mean Some, at least. It give positive sense.

e.g.

You have a little hope of promotion.

Its mean the chance / hope of your promotion is at least. Its mean the percentage of your promotion is 60% percent because a little gives positive sense.

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• The little - Its mean not much but whole of it.

Its mean the percentage is less but whole of it.

e.g. —

The little money he had, were also spent on medicines.

Its mean the little money he had, he spent whole of his treatment.

(Few, A Few, The Few)

These are used with plural countable nouns to show the number, number of nouns.

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Little, A Little, The Little.

These are used with singular uncountable nouns to show the quantity of nouns.

Choose the appropriate quantifier/determiner.

- (1) Can I have a few / some / many butter, please?
- (2) I'll be ready in a few / little minutes.
- (3) We have little / a little / Few bread it is not enough for dinner.
- (4) We have much / many / few chairs but we need more
- (5) Do you want much / any / Few cosmetics from Singapore.

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Choose the correct quantifiers

Little, a little, the little

Few, a few, the little.

Much, some, Any,

(i) Very — people went due to bad weather.

(ii) There is — scope of improvement.

(iii) Rahul is a good player, but he has — skills.

(iv) — is known about his personal life.

(v) Would you like to have — milk.