

Using Determiners

1. Identify whether the missing article in the sentence below is known or unknown.

The students were given _____ hour to complete the exam.

known

unknown

Complete the sentence.

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4. Molly has started to write a story and has underlined all her determiners.

The moon beamed down through the arms of the trees in a secluded forest. As the wind blew furiously, three siblings saw mysterious figures dancing along a path near their garden.

Add three more sentences to the story using some of the determiners below.

these

an

little

his

A

2. Circle the demonstrative determiners that could complete the sentence below.

We had art _____ afternoon with Mrs Watts.

these

those

that

this

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5. Write a different noun for each of the following determiners:

Demonstrative determiners:

that _____

those _____

Possessive determiners:

its _____

your _____

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3. Tick the types of determiners that have been used in the sentence below.

Their festive jumpers had five bejewelled buttons on them.

Type of determiner	
demonstrative	
possessive	
quantifier	

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6. Find and explain the determiners which are used incorrectly in the passage below.

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1. unknown. The students were given an hour to complete the exam.
2. this; that
3. possessive; quantifier
4. Various answers, for example: The sight of these figures made Roy and his siblings jump out of their skin. His youngest sibling noticed an owl sat on one of the branches of a spooky, deserted tree. All of a sudden, there was very little noise as the wind died down to a whisper.
5. Various answers, for example: that door; those shoes; its feet; your scarf
6. The incorrect determiners are 'that' and 'its'. 'That' must change to 'the' because the path is a known noun and 'its' must change to 'her' as the knee belongs to Hayley. The correct passage is: Hayley walked down a steep, stony path alongside her two dogs. Unfortunately, one of the dogs saw a squirrel and darted rapidly down the path causing her to fall and hurt her knee.