

IBPS PO Prelims 2026

Articles (The vs No Article) - Practice Set 2 of 5

FREE SET

Focus: The vs No Article (Moderate-High Difficulty)

Time: 20 Minutes

Total: 25 Questions

Where to use "The" - 6 Qs

Advanced Cases - 6 Qs

Where NOT to use "The" - 7 Qs

Sentence Completion - 6 Qs

Instructions

- ✓ This is the FREE practice set (Set 2 of 5) focusing on THE vs NO ARTICLE for IBPS PO Prelims 2026
- ✓ Choose "The" if the definite article is required, otherwise choose "No article" (X)
- ✓ Each question carries 1 mark (No negative marking for practice)
- ✓ Try to complete all 25 questions within 20 minutes to simulate exam conditions
- ✓ After attempting all questions, check answers with detailed explanations
- ✓ Use the Performance Tracker to analyze your accuracy and identify weak areas
- ✓ ★ **Complete all 5 sets to master Articles for IBPS PO!**

SECTION A: Where to use "The"

6 Questions

Directions: Choose "The" if the sentence requires the definite article, otherwise choose "No article".

Question 1**Easy****FREE PRACTICE SET**

_____ sun rises in the east.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 2**Easy**

She is _____ best student in the class.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 3**Easy**

This is _____ first time the RBI has cut interest rates this year.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 4**Medium**

_____ Ganges is considered a holy river in India.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 5**Medium****FREE PRACTICE SET**

She plays _____ piano very well.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 6**Medium**

_____ Times of India is one of the most widely read newspapers in India.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

SECTION B: Where NOT to use "The"**7 Questions**

Directions: Choose "No article" if the sentence should not have an article, otherwise choose "The".

Question 7**Easy**

She speaks _____ English fluently.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 8**Easy**

_____ Ram is my best friend.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 9

Easy



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He loves to play _____ cricket.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 10

Easy

I eat _____ breakfast at 8 AM every day.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 11

Medium

_____ India is the fastest-growing major economy in the world.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 12

Medium

He wants to climb _____ Mount Everest, the highest peak in the world.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 13**Medium****FREE PRACTICE SET**

_____ honesty is the best policy in business as well as in life.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

SECTION C: Advanced Cases (IBPS PO Level)**6 Questions**

Directions: Choose "The" or "No article" based on the context.

Question 14**Hard**

_____ Netherlands has one of the highest GDP per capita in Europe.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 15**Hard**

_____ Lake Superior is one of the largest freshwater lakes in the world.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 16**Hard**

_____ rich should help _____ poor to reduce income inequality.

- ☐ A. The, The
- ☐ B. No article, No article
- ☐ C. The, No article
- ☐ D. No article, The

Question 17**Hard****FREE PRACTICE SET**

_____ breakfast she prepared for the meeting was delicious.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 18**Hard**

He was elected _____ chairman of the board of directors unanimously.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

Question 19**Hard**

_____ French Revolution had a profound impact on European political systems.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

SECTION D: Sentence Completion (Banking Context)**6 Questions**

Directions: Complete each sentence with "The" or leave blank (X for no article).

Question 20**Easy**

_____ Earth revolves around _____ Sun.

- ☐ A. The, The
- ☐ B. No article, No article
- ☐ C. The, No article
- ☐ D. No article, The

Question 21**Medium****FREE PRACTICE SET**

_____ Mount Everest is in _____ Himalayas, which is the highest mountain range.

- ☐ A. The, The
- ☐ B. No article, No article
- ☐ C. No article, The
- ☐ D. The, No article

Question 22**Medium**

_____ more you invest in diversified portfolios, _____ more stable your returns will be.

- ☐ A. The, The
- ☐ B. A, A
- ☐ C. The, No article
- ☐ D. No article, The

Question 23**Medium**

_____ USA is _____ powerful country with significant influence on global economy.

- ☐ A. The, a
- ☐ B. A, the
- ☐ C. The, the
- ☐ D. No article, a

Question 24**Hard**

He went to _____ hospital because he was diagnosed with a serious illness.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article



She went to _____ hospital to visit her colleague who was admitted after an accident.

- ☐ A. The
- ☐ B. No article

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Answer Key with Detailed Explanations

SECTION A: Where to use "The"

Q1. Answer: A. The

✓ **The**

"Sun" is a unique celestial body → The sun.

📌 Unique things → The

Q2. Answer: A. The

✓ **The**

Superlative "best" → The best.

📌 Superlatives (-est, most) → The

Q3. Answer: A. The

✓ **The**

Ordinal number "first" → The first.

📌 Ordinals (first, second, last) → The

Q4. Answer: A. The

✓ **The**

Rivers take "the" → The Ganges.

📌 Rivers, oceans, seas → The

Q5. Answer: A. The

 **The**

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Musical instruments take "the" → The piano.

 Musical instruments → The

Q6. Answer: A. The

 **The**

Newspapers take "the" → The Times of India.

 Newspapers → The

SECTION B: Where NOT to use "The"

Q7. Answer: B. No article

 **No article**

Languages do not take "the" → English.

 Languages → No article

Q8. Answer: B. No article

 **No article**

Proper names (people) do not take "the" → Ram.

 Proper nouns (names) → No article

Q9. Answer: B. No article

 **No article**

Sports do not take "the" → cricket.

 Sports and games → No article

Q10. Answer: B. No article

✓ **No article**

  **FREE PRACTICE SET**

Meals in general sense → no article.

📌 Meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner) → No article (general)

Q11. Answer: B. No article

✓ **No article**

Most country names do not take "the" → India.

📌 Most countries → No article (Exception: the USA, the UK, the Netherlands)

Q12. Answer: B. No article

✓ **No article**

Single mountain peaks do not take "the" → Mount Everest.

📌 Single mountain peaks → No article (Mountain ranges → The)

Q13. Answer: B. No article

✓ **No article**

Abstract nouns in general sense → no article.

📌 Abstract nouns (honesty, love, beauty) → No article (general)

SECTION C: Advanced Cases

Q14. Answer: A. The

✓ **The**

"Netherlands" is a country with a plural name → The Netherlands.

📌 Countries with plural names → The (the USA, the UK, the Netherlands)

Q15. Answer: B. No article

✓ **No article**

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Single lakes do not take "the" → Lake Superior.

📌 Single lakes → No article (Exception: groups of lakes → the Great Lakes)

Q16. Answer: A. The, The

✓ **The, The**

Adjectives representing groups of people → The rich, The poor.

📌 Adjectives as nouns (groups) → The

Q17. Answer: A. The

✓ **The**

Specific meal (the one she prepared) → The breakfast.

📌 Specific meal → The; general meal → No article

Q18. Answer: B. No article

✓ **No article**

Unique positions after "elected" → no article.

📌 Elected/appointed + unique position → No article

Q19. Answer: A. The

✓ **The**

Historical events/periods take "the" → The French Revolution.

📌 Historical events → The

SECTION D: Sentence Completion

Q20. Answer: A. The, The

✓ **The, The**

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"Earth" and "Sun" are unique celestial bodies → The Earth, The Sun.

📌 Unique celestial bodies → The

Q21. Answer: C. No article, The

✓ **No article, The**

Single peak → Mount Everest (no the); Mountain range → The Himalayas.

📌 Single peaks: no article | Mountain ranges: The

Q22. Answer: A. The, The

✓ **The, The**

"The + comparative, the + comparative" structure.

📌 The more...the more → The on both sides

Q23. Answer: A. The, a

✓ **The, a**

"USA" (plural name country) → The; "powerful country" (one of many) → a.

📌 Countries with plural names → The; one of many → a

Q24. Answer: B. No article

✓ **No article**

Purpose (as a patient) → no article before hospital.

📌 To hospital (purpose as patient) → No article

Q25. Answer: A. The

✓ **The**

Specific hospital (to visit someone) → The hospital.

📌 Specific building (to visit) → The

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Performance Tracker - IBPS PO Set 2 (The vs No Article)

Section	Total	Correct	Wrong	Accuracy %
Section A (Where to use "The")	6	___	___	___%
Section B (Where NOT to use "The")	7	___	___	___%
Section C (Advanced Cases)	6	___	___	___%
Section D (Sentence Completion)	6	___	___	___%
TOTAL	25	___	___	___%

Score Interpretation (IBPS PO - The vs No Article):

- **22-25 correct:** Excellent! You've mastered The vs No Article for IBPS PO.
- **18-21 correct:** Good - review the exceptions (countries, mountains, lakes, etc.)
- **14-17 correct:** Average - need more practice on advanced cases
- **Below 14:** Need significant improvement - review all rules again

IBPS PO Special Focus - Key Learning Points from Set 2

-  **Always use "The":** Unique things (sun, moon), Superlatives (best, tallest), Ordinals (first, last), Rivers (Ganges), Oceans, Newspapers (Times of India), Musical instruments (piano), Historical events (French Revolution)
-  **Never use "The" (General):** Proper names (Ram, Delhi), Languages (English, Hindi), Sports (cricket, football), Meals (breakfast, lunch), Most countries (India, France), Single mountain peaks (Mount Everest), Abstract nouns (honesty)

 **Exceptions to Remember for IBPS PO:** the Netherlands, the USA, the UK, the UAE (countries with plural names); the Himalayas (mountain range no the); Lake Superior (no the) but the Great Lakes (the)

  **FREE PRACTICE SET**

 **Purpose vs Building:** He went to hospital (as patient - no the) vs He went to the hospital (to visit - the)

 **Special Structures:** The more you invest, the more stable your returns (both sides "the"); The rich should help the poor (adjectives as nouns)

 **Banking Context:** Familiarize yourself with terms like RBI, NPA, monetary policy, fiscal deficit, diversified portfolios for better context understanding

IBPS PO Articles Series Progress

  **Set 1 (Free):** A vs An - 25 questions - Completed

  **Set 2 (Free - This Set):** The vs No Article - 25 questions - Completed

  **Set 3 (Free):** Mixed Articles - Coming Next

  **Set 4 (Premium):** Mixed Articles - Advanced Level

  **Set 5 (Premium):** Error Detection - Advanced Level

 **Next: Set 3 - Mixed Articles (IBPS PO Level)**

 **IBPS PO Target:** Master both A/An and The/No Article before moving to Mixed Articles!

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