

Exercise 6.2

Fill in the blanks with **a**, **an** or **the**.

1. I live in **an** apartment with my parents. **The** apartment is small but it is very comfortable.
2. The children play cricket with **a** bat and **a** ball.
3. **The** sun gives us heat and light.
4. The man fell from **a** horse. **The** horse was running very fast.
5. It is **a** very hot day.
6. **The** Taj Mahal is a magnificent monument.
7. The Gangetic plain is **a** fertile plain.
8. **The** Wall of China is one of **the** seven wonders of the world.

Exercise 6.3

A. Fill in the blanks with **a**, **an**, or **the**.

I walked into **a** room at about six in **the** evening. **An** old man in **an** overcoat stood on **a** stage. He seemed to be delivering **a** lecture on **the** necessity of practising meditation every day. **The** audience appeared to be **a** little distracted. I soon understood **the** reason. Next to **the** Chairman sat **the** author of **the** book that had just received **a** prize. The members of the committee were very eager to speak to **the** noted writer. There was **a** sign of disappointment on their faces. He was **the** man of few words. He was **a** prolific writer but **a** quiet man.

B. Correct these sentences. You may have to change, add or omit articles.

1. We arrived by the train at five in morning.
We arrived by a train at five in the morning.
2. Sooner this matter is looked into, better it is for us.
The sooner this matter is looked into, the better it is for us.
3. A hour ago, I got this news.
An hour ago, I got this news.
4. Grapes we bought are sour.
The grapes we bought are sour.

5. I like to play the hockey and the tennis.

I like to play hockey and tennis.

6. An apple a day keeps doctor away.

An apple a day keeps the doctor away.

7. I did not like food at restaurant.

I did not like the food at the restaurant.

C. Choose the correct alternative.

1. a. He is MLA. b. He is an MLA. ✓

2. a. Do you have the *Gitanjali* at home?

b. Do you have *Gitanjali* at home? ✓

3. a. I love going to cinema.

b. I love going to the cinema. ✓

4. a. Are they going to the post office? ✓

b. Are they going to post office?

5. a. She made a supreme effort.

b. She made the supreme effort. ✓

6. a. He is best player. b. He is the best player. ✓

7. a. Gold is yellow. ✓ b. The gold is yellow.

8. a. Man is a member of the society.

b. Man is a member of society. ✓