UNIT: **Use of Articles, Common Cases**
Topics to revise: **Countable/ Uncountable Nouns**
Plural Nouns
Irregular Plural
TASK: **Write down the articles (a/an, the, -) in spaces**

TEXT 1:
India has two national languages for …(1) central administrative purposes: Hindi and English. Hindi is …(2) national, official, and main link language of India. English is …(3) associate official language. …(4) Indian Constitution also officially approves twenty-two regional languages for official purposes. Dozens of distinctly different regional languages are spoken in India, which share many characteristics such as grammatical structure and …(5) vocabulary. …(6) homeland of Hindi is mainly in …(7) north of India, but it is spoken and widely understood in all urban centers of India. In …(8) southern states of India there is more resistance to Hindi, which has allowed English to remain …(9) lingua franca to …(10) greater degree.

TEXT 2:
…(1) role that the Great Wall played in …(2) growth of Chinese economy was an important one. Throughout the centuries many settlements were established along …(3) new border. The garrison troops were instructed to reclaim wasteland and to plant …(4) crops on it, roads and canals were built, to mention just a few of …(5) works carried out. All these undertakings greatly helped to increase …(6) country's trade and …(7) cultural exchanges. Builders, garrisons, artisans, farmers and peasants left behind …(8) trail of objects, including …(9) inscribed tablets, household articles, and written work, which have become …(10) extremely valuable archaeological evidence to the study of defence institutions of the Great Wall and the everyday life of these people who lived and died along the wall.

TEXT 3:
Ada Lovelace was …(1) daughter of the poet Lord Byron. She was taught by Mary Somerville, …(2) well-known researcher and scientific author, who introduced her to Charles Babbage in June 1833. Babbage was …(3) English mathematician, who first had the idea for …(4) programmable computer. In 1842 and 1843, Ada translated …(5) work of …(6) Italian mathematician, Luigi Menabrea, on Babbage's Analytical Engine. Though mechanical, this machine was …(7) important step in …(8) history of computers; it was the design of …(9) mechanical general-purpose computer. Babbage worked on it for many years until his death in 1871. However, because of …(10) financial, political, and legal issues, the engine was never built.

TEXT 4:
Boeing is expected to reveal …(1) numbers of orders for its 787 Dreamliner soon. Airbus orders unveiled on …(2) Monday included Qatar Airways confirming …(3) $16bn order for 80 A350 Airbus planes and ordering three A380 super-jumbos for about $750m. Boeing and Airbus are also competing for …(4) orders from …(5) aircraft leasing firms. Orders from these companies - who rank highly among …(6) biggest global buyers of aircraft - are often regarded as …(7) indication of how successful …(8) model will be in …(9) long term. Airbus also secured …(10) orders from US Airways that are worth $10bn for 22 of its A350 jets, 60 A320s and ten of its A330-200 wide-body planes.

TEXT 5:
From …(1) 9th to …(2) 14th centuries, when Europe was still struggling out of …(3) Dark Ages, the Cambodian Empire of Angkor covered most of present-day Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam, and Thailand. …(4) heart of this empire during the 12th century was …(5) ancient capital of Angkor Thom, near present day Siem Reap, …(6) site of …(7) world's largest temple complexes, which were rediscovered in 1861.This spectacular city was built over 30 years under …(8) reign of King Suryavarman II (1113-1150). …(9) area covers about 400 square kilometres and is full of …(10) finest examples of Khmer art and architecture. Tourists are always amazed at the scale of the place.

TEXT 6:

…(1) leading investors have joined the growing chorus of concern about governments and companies rushing into producing biofuels as …(2) solution for …(3) global warming, saying that many involved in …(4) sector could be jeopardizing …(5) future profits if they do not consider the long-term impact of what they are doing carefully. It is essential to build …(6) sustainable criteria into …(7) supply chain of any green fuel project in order to ensure that there is no adverse effect on …(8) surrounding environment and social structures. The report produced by the investors expresses concern that many companies may not be fully aware of …(9) potential pitfalls in …(10) biofuel sector.