



Travel to Peru and experience history

For tourists who love history, there is no better destination than Peru. When you arrive in Lima, you can easily tour the old city on foot and visit its museums. Then go by bus to Lake Titicaca and Machu Picchu. Peruvians are friendly people and many of them speak English, but try to learn some Spanish before you go.

Presentation

You don't often use an article with plural and uncountable nouns: *There are buses to every destination. For more information, contact us.*

Don't use an article ...

- to talk about things in general: *I like cats. English people drink tea in the afternoon.*
- for many place names: *I live in Lima.*
- for languages, countries and subjects: *Take a holiday in Peru. Learn to speak Spanish. I like studying Geography.*
- with geographical features: *Lake Titicaca, Mount Everest.*
- with forms of travel and transport: *Travel through the mountains on foot or by bicycle.*

TIP Don't use an article for these special cases: *at school/home.*

Key vocabulary Travel: by bicycle, on foot, by car, by train, by taxi, tour, destination, arrive, travel round by bus, by subway, take a taxi, tourist

1 Choose the correct options.

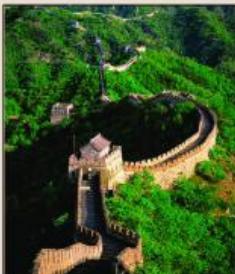
- 1 *The Italian food / Italian food* is the best in the world!
- 2 *The people / People* over there are from Germany.
- 3 Try *the sandwiches / sandwiches* at this café.
- 4 Who is *the girl / girl* on the bike?
- 5 I like *the rock music / rock music*.

2 Cross out the *the* where it isn't necessary.

- 1 We visited the Eiffel Tower last year. ✓
- 2 Have you ever been to the Disneyland?
- 3 I go to the school at eight o'clock.
- 4 My father works at the home.
- 5 She goes to work by the bicycle.
- 6 I would love to see the Mount Everest.

3 Choose the correct answers.

- 1 I love **c** dogs. I have three of them.
a a b the c Ø
- 2 I live in **a**.
a United States b United Kingdom c Uruguay
- 3 Do you speak **a** local language?
a a b the c Ø

4 ⚡ Complete the text with *the*, **a, **an** or Ø (no article). Then listen and check.****Travel tips for visitors to Beijing****Transport**

¹ **Ø** Beijing's metro and buses are often crowded so visitors should take ² **Ø** taxi. Don't worry if you don't speak Chinese – many taxi drivers are now learning ³ **Ø** English.



⁴ **Ø** Great Wall of ⁵ **Ø** China is about two hours by ⁶ **Ø** car from ⁷ **Ø** Beijing. Or you can see ⁸ **Ø** panda in Beijing Zoo and then have ⁹ **Ø** excellent meal in ¹⁰ **Ø** CCTV (China Central Television) Tower restaurant.

Eating

You can buy ¹¹ **Ø** cheap Chinese food in the street or there are ¹² **Ø** international restaurants in ¹³ **Ø** centre. Try Peking duck.