



“The” with names of hotels, ships, cinemas, theatres, newspapers/magazines



Rule

Don't use *the* with ❌

town / person + building

e.g. Oxford University, York Airport,
Edinburgh Castle, Victoria Station
(but: *the* Royal Palace – ‘Royal’ is an adjective)

most streets, roads, parks

e.g. Fifth Avenue, Abbey Road, Hyde Park

companies, airlines

e.g. Sony, Oxford University Press

shops, restaurants etc. named after people

e.g. McDonald's, Macy's

Use *the* with ✅

Hotels

e.g. *the* Ritz, *the* Savoy

Theatres / cinemas

e.g. *the* Globe theatre

Museums

e.g. *the* National Gallery

Other buildings

e.g. *the* Eiffel Tower

Most newspapers

e.g. *the* Washington Post

Many organizations

e.g. *the* Red Cross

Names with *of*

e.g. *the* University of Cambridge
(but: Cambridge University)

Where are the following? Use *the* where necessary.

1. is in New York.
2. is in London.
3. is in Paris.
4. is in Washington.
5. is near London.
6. is in Edinburgh.
7. is in Rome.

Which is right?

1. Heathrow Airport / *The* Heathrow Airport is situated 23km west of Central London.
2. The biggest park in London is *Richmond Park* / *the* Richmond Park.
3. Many tourists in London visit *Tower of London* / *the* Tower of London.
4. *BBC World Service* / *the* BBC World Service broadcasts in 28 languages.
5. *University of Oxford* / *the* University of Oxford is the oldest university in the English-speaking world.
6. We had lunch at *McDonald's* / *the* McDonald's yesterday.
7. *Oxford Street* / *the* Oxford Street is the most famous street in London for shopping.
8. *London Gazette* / *the* London Gazette is believed to be the oldest English newspaper.
9. *British Museum* / *the* British Museum brings together under one roof the cultures of the world.
10. *Harrods* / *the* Harrods is a renowned department store in London.
11. *Windsor Castle* / *the* Windsor Castle has been the family home of British kings and queens for almost 1000 years.
12. *Statue of Liberty* / *the* Statue of Liberty was given to United States / the United States by France / *the* France as a symbol of friendship.