

GRAMMAR

Determiners

1 Complete the sentences with *a*, *an*, *the* or – (no article).

- We haven't been to _____ theatre in Park Street for _____ ages.
- 'What did you have for _____ breakfast?' 'I ate _____ eggs that were in _____ fridge.'
- I learned to speak _____ French when I was _____ engineering student in Paris.
- Unfortunately, _____ film was _____ disaster, and we left _____ cinema halfway through.
- Do you have _____ explanation for _____ terrible mess in this room?
- Why is she speaking with _____ foreign accent? I thought she was _____ native English speaker.
- _____ best thing about this book is that it makes _____ really nice coffee mat.
- London is _____ great city to live in if you like _____ noise and _____ traffic.

2 Choose the correct words.

- Much* / *Plenty* of people around the world speak Esperanto.
- We've had *a few* / *a bit of* difficulty collecting all the data.
- There is a small *number* / *amount* of students who haven't finished their project.
- I'm sorry, I don't have *many* / *some* tickets left.
- This job is going to take a large *number* / *amount* of effort for very *little* / *few* reward.
- I don't want *a lot of* / *many* food tonight, thanks – I'm going training.
- Any* / *Several* of our members have expressed an interest in the trip.
- Tara has *plenty* / *a few* questions she would like to ask you.
- I can give you a hand quickly, but I really haven't got *some* / *a lot of* time.
- Little* / *Some* native American languages are still spoken in North America.

3 Complete the sentences with *(a) little* or *(a) few*.

- I tried, but it was _____ use.
- I'm worried about my sister, who has _____ friends.
- Eventually, _____ diners entered the restaurant.
- This soup needs _____ salt and pepper.
- Surprisingly, _____ children in the school could spell correctly.
- Please be quick. We have _____ time to waste.
- I've got _____ time now, if you want to talk about the homework.
- There were _____ students at the lecture – not the whole group, but enough.

4 Correct the mistakes in the sentences or put a tick (✓) by any you think are correct.

- I hope you will have a great fun. _____
- Can you imagine the school where you can study only the subjects you enjoy? _____
- Furthermore, I am a very reliable and responsible person. _____
- However, not much people like to read a book. _____
- I was really happy to spend few days with you. _____

VOCABULARY

Commonly confused words

1 Choose the correct answer.

- I love trains – they are my favourite ____ of transport.
A means B journey C way
- Excuse me. Do you know the ____ to the airport?
A means B journey C way
- The best ____ to learn something is to practise it.
A means B journey C way
- Is there a slight ____ that you might come and visit us this month?
A opportunity B possibility C happening
- That was a very ____ film. I couldn't stop laughing!
A funny B sad C fun
- Did you get the ____ to talk to the director about your ideas?
A opportunity B possibility C happening
- We went to the park, but it wasn't much ____.
A funny B happy C fun
- I ____ my leg during a football match.
A harmed B injured C damaged
- Be careful you don't ____ my camera.
A harm B injure C damage
- Don't worry, the snake isn't poisonous – it won't ____ you.
A harm B injure C damage
- Can you ____ how much money I have in my pocket?
A know B observe C guess
- I learned how to play chess by ____ my dad play with his friend.
A knowing B observing C guessing

2 Answer the questions for you.

- What is your favourite means of transport?

- What do you find funny?

- Do you usually know all the answers to the exercises, or do you guess some?

- What is the longest journey you have ever made?

- Have you ever missed an important opportunity?

- Have you ever injured yourself?
