

Ms Parrot, \_\_\_\_\_ most (superlative) famous lady detective of \_\_\_\_\_  
twenty-first century, (Only one 21<sup>st</sup> Century) was born in \_\_\_\_\_ Bristol  
(name of a town) in \_\_\_\_\_ United Kingdom (A country with united in  
its name) \_\_\_\_\_ the 1960s. (a specific decade)

Since then, she has been to many countries, including \_\_\_\_\_ Portugal,  
(name of a country) Singapore and Australia, and has lived in \_\_\_\_\_  
northern hemisphere (only one northern hemisphere) and \_\_\_\_\_  
southern hemisphere, (only one southern hemisphere) as well as on  
\_\_\_\_\_ equator. (Only one equator) She has never been to \_\_\_\_\_  
Philippines (country with a plural name) or \_\_\_\_\_ United States,  
(A country with united in its name) but she speaks \_\_\_\_\_ English,  
(a language) French and Portuguese.

Like Sherlock Holmes, \_\_\_\_\_ famous detective, (everyone knows  
about this detective, so he is not just 'a famous detective', (one of many)  
but a famous name that everyone knows) she plays \_\_\_\_\_ violin,  
(singular countable noun; a musical instrument) and sometimes practises  
up to five times \_\_\_\_\_ day. (singular countable noun; a rate)

She is also \_\_\_\_\_ only person (singular countable noun, preceded by a  
unique adjective 'only') in \_\_\_\_\_ world (only one world) to have  
performed Tchaikovsky's 1812 overture in one breath on \_\_\_\_\_  
recorder. (Singular countable noun – musical instrument)

She has been \_\_\_\_\_ detective (**singular countable noun; her job**) for thirty years and claims that although many people think that being \_\_\_\_\_ detective (**singular countable noun; a job**) is \_\_\_\_\_ piece of cake, (**a singular part of the whole**) detectives generally work very hard and it's not all fun and games.

\_\_\_\_\_ detective (**not speaking about a specific detective – can be any detective**) is someone who solves mysteries, and \_\_\_\_\_ people (**plural countable noun**) who contact Ms Parrot have some very unusual problems.

Little information is available about some of \_\_\_\_\_ cases (**plural countable noun**) she has solved, but quite \_\_\_\_\_ few (**a few, meaning some**) of her most famous cases have attracted worldwide attention and she has been offered up to \_\_\_\_\_ thousand dollars, (**a number - used instead of 'one'**) \_\_\_\_\_ hour (**singular countable noun starting with a vowel sound**) to help solve mysteries such as \_\_\_\_\_ case (**singular countable noun – specific case**) of \_\_\_\_\_ Australian owl (**singular countable noun, first mention, Australia starts with a vowel sound**) in \_\_\_\_\_ uniform (**Singular countable noun, first mention starting with a consonant sound**).



\_\_\_\_\_ bird (singular countable noun, specific bird, 2<sup>nd</sup> mention) laid  
\_\_\_\_\_ egg (singular countable noun, first mention, starts with a  
vowel sound) in \_\_\_\_\_ European nest (singular countable noun, first  
mention, countable noun preceded by an adjective, consonant sound) in  
less than \_\_\_\_\_ hour (singular countable noun, starting with a vowel  
sound) after its arrival.

What \_\_\_\_\_ strange problem! (Singular countable noun, first  
mention)

With great \_\_\_\_\_ modesty, (uncountable noun) she has either  
declined such \_\_\_\_\_ fee (singular countable noun – with 'such' we  
usually use 'a'), or donated \_\_\_\_\_ money (Money is associated with  
'fee' so we know which money it is) to \_\_\_\_\_ poor, (adjective used as a  
noun) or to \_\_\_\_\_ Grammar Survival Fund, (names of institutions  
usually take 'the') believing that \_\_\_\_\_ detectives (plural countable  
noun) should use their skills for \_\_\_\_\_ common good. (adjective  
used as a noun)