

## Articles

I can use the articles a/an and the with nouns.

✎ Read the text and complete the table.



**The Tomatina** is a festival in Spain. The festival happens every August in Buñol, on the last Wednesday in August. Buñol is a small town near Valencia. Thousands of people go to the festival every year. At the Tomatina, people go to the main square and they throw tomatoes! They squash the tomatoes first, so they don't hurt anyone. It's messy, but lots of fun!



## The Tomatina Festival

What	<sup>1</sup> <u>a Spanish festival</u>
Where	<sup>2</sup> <u>Buñol near Valencia</u>
When	<sup>3</sup> <u>the last Wednesday in August</u>

✎ Read the GRAMMAR FOCUS. Then underline all the articles in the text.

## GRAMMAR FOCUS

## Articles

You use **a/an**:

- with a singular noun when it is one of many things/people: Buñol is a small town. (There are many towns in Spain.)
- when you mention something for the first time. It's a festival in Spain.

You use **the**:

- when you talk about a specific thing that everybody knows. People go to the main square. (= a specific place)
- when you mention something for the second time. It's a festival in Spain. The festival happens every August.

There's **no article (Ø)**:

- when you talk about something in general. Do you like tomatoes? I hate cheese.
- with the days of the week or months, names of places or countries. in Buñol in August

3 056 Complete the text with a/an, the or Ø (no article). Then listen and check.



## Britain's Food and Drink Festivals

Do you know we make over 700 types of <sup>1</sup> Ø cheese? If you like cheese, come to the **Nantwich International Cheese Show**, considered <sup>2</sup> the 'number 1 cheese show on earth.' Britain is, of course, <sup>3</sup> an island, so we have some of the best seafood in <sup>4</sup> the world. <sup>5</sup> Ø tasty oysters of Whitstable – celebrated by the Romans, too! – are the protagonists of <sup>6</sup> the world-famous **Whitstable Oyster Festival**.

**Pembrokeshire Fish Week** in Wales is also <sup>7</sup> a fishy feast not to miss with <sup>8</sup> an entire week devoted to the crab and other fish, typical of the area. Don't forget the **Ludlow Food Festival**, <sup>9</sup> the must if you're <sup>10</sup> a fan of <sup>11</sup> Ø food festivals. It hosts 130 independent food and drink producers and events include <sup>12</sup> a cookery competitions, tutorials and contests judging the best sausages, pork pies and sandwiches.

4 **Focus on you** Discuss the questions in pairs.

- Which festival would you like to go to? Why?
- Do you know any food festivals which take place where you live?





### 8.3 Le preposizioni di moto

- Anche le **preposizioni di moto**, come quelle di stato in luogo, sono **invariabili** e, diversamente dall'italiano, non ci sono preposizioni articolate.
- Molte preposizioni possono essere di stato in luogo o di moto a seconda che siano rette da un verbo di stato o di moto.

There's a lamp **over** my desk.

A plane is flying **over** the lake.

→ **stato** C'è un lampadario sopra la mia scrivania.

→ **moto** Un aeroplano sta volando sopra il lago.

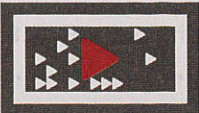
<b>to</b>	a, in	I often go to Rome / the mountains at the weekend. Vado spesso a Roma / in montagna nel weekend.
<b>from</b>	da	My husband gets back from work at about 9 p.m. Mio marito torna dal lavoro verso le 9 di sera.
<b>away from</b>	via da	Go away from the pier! It's dangerous! Vai via dal molo! È pericoloso!
<b>into</b>	dentro	Look! A fox is going into that den! Guarda! Una volpe sta andando dentro quella tana!
<b>out of</b>	fuori da	Puck! Come out of the cupboard!!! Puck! Esci dalla credenza!!!
<b>onto</b> (dal basso verso l'alto o viceversa) <b>up</b> (solo verso l'alto)	su	Let's move the books onto the second shelf! Spostiamo i libri sul secondo ripiano! Why have you jumped up from your chair? Perché sei balzato su dalla tua sedia?
<b>off</b> (da un luogo a un altro) <b>down</b> (solo verso il basso)	giù da  giù	Don't jump off the springboard if you're afraid! Non buttarti giù dal trampolino se hai paura. Every time it rains, some water flows down this wall! Ogni volta che piove, dell'acqua scorre giù da questo muro.
<b>across, over</b> (in linea retta, da una parte all'altra)	attraverso	We can't swim across the river. It's too wide! Non possiamo attraversare il fiume a nuoto. È troppo ampio! Go over the bridge and turn right. Attraversa il ponte e gira a destra.
<b>through</b> (senza una direzione precisa o all'interno di un luogo)	attraverso, per	Take the path through the trees. It's easier. Prendi il sentiero tra gli alberi. È più facile.
<b>towards</b>	verso	The angry crowd is marching towards the police. La folla arrabbiata sta marciando verso la polizia.
<b>as far as, up to</b>	fino a	Go as far as / up to the traffic lights. Vai fino al semaforo.
<b>past</b>	oltre	Go past the church and then turn left. Vai oltre / Oltrepassa la chiesa e poi gira a sinistra.

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#### Sottolinea l'alternativa corretta.

0. The bus is going **through** / **up to** a very dark tunnel.
1. Those girls are swimming **around** / **across** the river.
2. Why are those boys running **past** / **away from** the policeman?
3. The athletes are running **down** / **round** the track.
4. We always go **to** / **from** the shops early in the morning.
5. Be careful! Don't run **off** / **down** the hill! The path is muddy.
6. It's late! We must run **onto** / **to** the bus stop!
7. Come on, let's go **into** / **out of** that hut! It's snowing hard.
8. Look at those balloons going **up** / **over** the trees!





**ASCOLTA!**  
l'audio

### 8.3 Le preposizioni di moto

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Completa le frasi con le seguenti preposizioni o avverbi.

to ~ under ~ towards ~ past ~ into ~ upstairs ~ round ~ across ~ down

- I like to go to the supermarket at lunchtime. It's not crowded at that time of the day.
- We are doing a cycling tour of Italy. Today we are travelling from Venice down to Bologna.
- Some people think that when a black cat walks across the road in front of you, it is unlucky.
- It's easy. You walk past the bank and the shoe shop and the café is on the left.
- During the earthquake simulation drill in class, we have to get under our desks.
- Hey Ella, when we finish our homework we can go upstairs and play the drums. Mum's out shopping!
- There are about thirteen thousand satellites orbiting round the Earth.
- A Oh help, Emma! Sam's coming towards me! B Just relax, Zoe! He's only human!
- Shhh Emily, and don't go into the living room! Dad's studying for a test.



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**CRITICAL THINKING** Completa la favola di Esopo *The Fox and the Crow* con le preposizioni adatte. Poi scrivi una tua ipotesi della morale di questa favola. Ascolta e confronta la tua ipotesi con quello che senti.



A crafty fox is walking [0] through the forest when he sees a crow flying [1] past him. The crow flies [2] onto a branch of a tree and the fox walks [3] towards the tree. He notices that she has a nice piece of cheese in her beak. "Hmm..." thinks the fox. "How can I get that piece of cheese [4] out of her mouth?" He sits down [5] below the branch and looks [6] up at the crow.

"What a beautiful bird I see in the tree!" says the fox, "What beautiful feathers!

I am sure her voice is beautiful too."

The crow looks [7] down at the fox and she is so happy that she opens her beak to sing for the fox.

"Caw! Caw!" she cries, and the cheese drops [8] out of her mouth and [9] onto the ground.

The fox snaps up the cheese and runs [10] away at top speed!

What is the moral? Don't always trust flatterers (= non avere fiducia di quelle persone che ti esagerano)

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**MY VOCABULARY IN PROGRESS** | Places: Town and City

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Completa le frasi con le seguenti preposizioni. Trova poi tutte le espressioni collegate all'area lessicale dei luoghi di una città e traducile.

past (x3) ~ down (x2) ~ over ~ along ~ through ~ out of ~ across ~ as far as ~ into

- A Excuse me, where's the children's playground? B It's in the park. Go past the station and turn left.
- Go down Abbey Road and turn right. The bookshop is on the corner.
- Walk over the pretty stone bridge in the town centre.
- The stadium? Hmm... drive along this road, go down the traffic lights and then follow the signs!
- Walk through that path, go past the woods and past the pond. The kiosk is on the right.
- A Excuse me, can you tell me the way to the taxi rank? B Go across the main road to the other side, keep walking as far as the fountain and the taxi rank is there.
- I think you are going the wrong way for the city centre. This road is taking us out of the centre instead of into it!



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**COLLABORATION** Con un compagno pensate ai cinque luoghi più belli da visitare nella vostra città e scrivete le indicazioni per raggiungerli a piedi partendo dalla piazza principale. Senza dire il luogo, leggete le vostre indicazioni ai compagni. Se sono giuste, dovrebbero riuscire a indovinare il luogo da voi scelto.



B Yes, they are oak trees.

6 Sorbonne is an university in Paris.

4 A Whose are the three bicycles in the garden?

B I don't know. I have only <sup>got</sup> one bicycle.

8 Ladies and gentlemen, it is an honor for me to be here this evening in this awesome Greek theatre in Syracuse!

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1 past

2 onto

3 towards /tuards/

4 out of

5 below

6 up

7 down

8 out of

9 onto

10 away

### A case

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#### SAN ANDREA AND ANNA CHURCH

Go straight on and go past the hairdresser and the bakery. Go as far as the roundabout and the church is on your left!

#### SACILETTO'S CASTLE

Go straight on. Go past the school and the post office.  
# Go up to the end of the cycle lane, the castle

is on your right.

### VILLA IACHIA

Go straight on up to the roundabout. At the roundabout take the first road on your right. Go straight on and at the roundabout take the second road on your right. Then go straight on and ~~go past the~~ go as far as the church. At the corner turn left. Go straight on up to the café. Villa Iachia is in front of you.

### AMIDERIA CHIOZZA

Go straight on, go past the bakery and at the corner turn right. Then go straight on then turn left. The "amideria Chiozza" is on your right.

### TRENCHES

Go straight on. Go past the bakery and the church. Turn right and the trenches are on your left.

### ES 4 pag 34 Focus Now

1 I would like to go to the Nantwich International cheese Show because I like cheese!

2 Yes, I do. In my village there's frogs festival in the middle of June.