



# The Definite or Zero Article Exercise

## ZERO

- church; prison ⇒ *The mayor was sent to prison*
- meals ⇒ *We have lunch at two*
- things in general *I love cheese*
- streets ⇒ *Oxford Street is in the centre of London*

## THE

- shops ⇒ *He went to the baker's*
- specific things ⇒ *The cheese in that shop is great*
- People from countries *The French*
- the radio *I heard it on the radio*

A Fill the gaps with the correct answer in brackets.

- 1 We need to be at ..... in an hour. ( the airport / airport )
- 2 Blast! I forgot to ..... ( go to the bank / go to bank )
- 3 I'm tired. I'm going to ..... now. ( go to bed / go to the bed )
- 4 We always ..... before we leave for work. ( make bed / make the bed )
- 5** What time do you ..... ( have breakfast / have the breakfast )
- 6 I love ..... ( the cheese / cheese )
- 7 Have you seen ..... in the new delicatessen? ( the cheese / cheese )
- 8 Holistic medicine is practised by ..... ( the Chinese / Chinese )
- 9 Sadly, my girlfriend doesn't like ..... food. ( the Chinese / Chinese )
- 10 I hate going to ....., don't you? ( the church / church )
- 11 We met for drinks in The Lamb and Flag near ..... Garden. ( the Covent / Covent )
- 12** I'm nervous because I've got to go to ..... ( the dentist / dentist )
- 13 I'm having ..... at Begonya's tonight. ( the dinner / dinner )
- 14 Why didn't someone tell me he was in .....? ( the hospital / hospital )
- 15 Suzanne works at ..... ( the hospital / hospital )
- 16 HMV is in ..... Street. ( the Oxford / Oxford )
- 17** All politicians should be sent to ..... ( the prison / prison )
- 18** I listen to ..... in the morning. ( the radio / radio )
- 19 That pub is somewhere in ..... of the city. ( the south / south )
- 20 He lives somewhere in ..... Germany. ( the southern / southern )
- 21** I normally watch ..... after dinner. ( the TV / TV )
- 22** I loved being at ..... ( the university / university )
- 23 Her husband got home early from ..... ( the work / work )

B Check your answers and then put the words from the numbers in bold from A into the correct column.

### ZERO ARTICLE

- go to bed
- .....
- .....
- .....
- .....

### THE

- make the bed
- .....
- .....

