



SPANISH TABLE

Definite Articles



Other uses of Spanish definite articles

Special case	English equivalent (if applicable)	Examples	Special considerations
parts of the day	the	<i>Tomo té en las tardes.</i> I drink tea in the afternoons.	
quantity expressions (weights and measurements)	indefinite article	<i>Las naranjas están a 2 dólares el kilo.</i> The oranges cost 2 dollars a kilo.	
geographic places like: rivers, lakes, oceans, seas, mountains, bays, groups or islands, deserts, and some cities and regions	the	<i>El río Amazonas atraviesa tres países en Suramérica.</i> The Amazon river goes through three countries in South America. <i>La Habana es la capital de Cuba.</i> Havana is the capital of Cuba.	
means of communication	the	<i>Me gusta escuchar la radio.</i> I like to listen to the radio.	If you're talking about the devices (radio, TV set, etc.), use the indefinite article. Example: <i>Compré una radio muy moderna.</i> I bought a very modern radio.
nouns related to landscapes like: <i>mar</i> [sea], <i>campo</i> [countryside], <i>playa</i> [beach], <i>cielo</i> [sky], <i>naturaleza</i> [nature]	the	<i>Vamos al campo todos los veranos.</i> We go to the countryside every summer.	
adjectives used like nouns	the	<i>La rubia trajo esta carta.</i> The blond (woman) brought this letter.	Make sure the noun you're referring to is clear.

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