

# names *Mary, Africa, the USA*

## NAMES WITHOUT THE: PEOPLE, LANGUAGES, MOST PLACES

### • people: *the*

*Mary* works for *Dr Andrews*. (NOT *The Mary* ... *the Dr Andrews*.)

General Parker      Prince Charles      Aunt Elizabeth

### • languages: *the*

*Sorry, I don't speak Russian.* (NOT ... *the Russian*.)

### • most place-names (for example continents, countries, states, lakes, mountains, towns, streets): *the*

*Barry's* from *Texas*. (NOT ... *the Texas*.)

Africa      Cuba      Queensland      Dublin      Lake Geneva      Mount Everest  
Wall Street      Piccadilly Circus      Hyde Park      Times Square

## 1 Complete the sentences with words from the boxes.

Lake Superior      London      Oxford Street      Peru      Queensland ✓      Spanish      Uncle Eric

► Queensland ..... is in Australia.

1 They speak ..... in .....

2 Here's a postcard from ..... He's been swimming in .....

3 ..... is in the centre of .....

Africa      France      Kilimanjaro      Napoleon      Switzerland

4 ..... was a very small man.

5 ..... is the highest mountain in .....

6 ..... is next to .....

## NAMES WITH THE: SOME PLACES

### • deserts, rivers, seas and oceans (but not lakes!): *the*

*the* Sahara Desert      *the* Thames      *the* Rhine      *the* Mediterranean      *the* Atlantic

### • plural names: *the*

*the* Netherlands      *the* United States / *the* USA      *the* Alps

### • expressions with *Republic/ Kingdom/ etc*: *the*

*the* Czech Republic      *the* United Kingdom

### • large areas of the world: *the*

*the* West      *the* Middle East      *the* Far East

## 2 Circle the correct answers.

► I once went on a boat on the *Rhine* / *Lake Victoria*.

► We're going to drive right across *Europe* / *Sahara Desert*.

1 Ann's just come back from the *Himalayas* / *Mount Everest*.

2 My sister works in *Netherlands* / *Denmark*.

3 I'd like to learn *Japanese* / *the Japanese*.

4 My parents are on holiday in the *South Africa* / *People's Republic of China*.

5 Here's a photo of Max in *USA* / *Trafalgar Square*.

6 Alan's living in a small town near the *Barcelona* / *Mediterranean*.

7 We have friends in *Ireland / Republic of Ireland*.  
 8 Wales is the smallest country in the *Great Britain / United Kingdom*.  
 9 There are a lot of Spanish-speaking people in the *USA / America*.

### BUILDINGS WITH THE

#### • most names of buildings: **the**

the Hilton Hotel      the Old Mill Restaurant  
 the Globe Theatre      the British Museum  
 the Eiffel Tower      the Taj Mahal  
 the Great Pyramid

### EXCEPTIONS

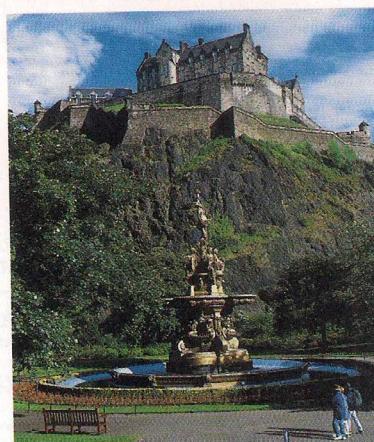
#### • place-name + *Airport, Station, Cathedral, University, Palace, Castle, School*: **the**

Oxford Airport      Glasgow Central Station  
 Exeter Cathedral      Cambridge University  
 Buckingham Palace      Didcot Junior School

#### • name + possessive 's: **the**

St Paul's Cathedral      McDonald's

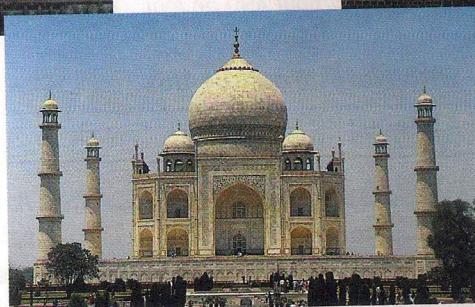
Edinburgh Castle



the Tower of London



the Globe Theatre



the Taj Mahal

### 3 Put **the** before five of these buildings, and nothing (-) before three.

► **the** ..... Taj Mahal    ► ..... Halloran's Restaurant    1 ..... Old Steak House  
 2 ..... National Gallery of Modern Art    3 ..... Central Museum    4 ..... Birmingham Airport  
 5 ..... Sheraton Hotel    6 ..... New Theatre    7 ..... Jenner's Hotel  
 8 ..... Canterbury Cathedral

### 4 Put in **the** or nothing (-).

1 ..... American English	2 ..... Asia	3 ..... Blue Train Restaurant	
4 ..... Dominican Republic	5 ..... Florida	6 ..... Gobi Desert	
7 ..... Lake Michigan	8 ..... Metropolitan Museum	9 ..... Mississippi (River)	
10 ..... Mount Kenya	11 ..... New York	12 ..... North Sea	13 ..... Paris
14 ..... Regent Street	15 ..... Rocky Mountains	16 ..... Trafalgar Square	
17 ..... Egypt	18 ..... White House	19 ..... Whitehall Theatre	20 ..... Far East