

Lesson
Objectives:

- Match adjectives to the nouns they describe.
- Modify the articles "the," "a/an" and "some" in Spanish

La Gramática

Section 2, Lesson Number 2:

Adjectives: Definite Articles



¡Aprendemos!

Adjectives: Overview

Adjectives are words that describe nouns or pronouns. There are many different types of adjectives: articles, descriptive adjectives, quantitative adjectives and demonstrative adjectives, all of which you'll learn in this section. All adjectives have one thing in common: **THEY MUST AGREE IN NUMBER AND IN GENDER WITH THE NOUNS THAT THEY MODIFY.**

- o If the noun is masculine and singular, the adjective must be masculine, singular.
- o If the noun is feminine and plural, then the adjective must be feminine and plural.





Articles

Articles are adjectives that always come **BEFORE** nouns. This rule applies in both English and Spanish. For example, "the car" is "el carro." Articles don't give a description of the noun; they simply limit the noun, as you'll see in the examples.

- o There are two kinds of articles: **definite** and **indefinite**.

Definite Articles

Definite articles refer to specific objects: "el amigo" (the friend). They use definite articles much more frequently in Spanish than we do in English. You've already learned the singular definite articles: **el** and **la**. The plural forms are **los** and **las**. They all mean "the."

	<u>masculine</u>	<u>feminine</u>
<u>singular</u>	 el amigo (the male friend)	 la amiga (the female friend)
<u>plural</u>	 los amigos (the male friends)	 las amigas (the female friends)



¡Practicamos!

Now let's practice! Fill in the blanks with the correct definite articles. Answers follow.



- _____ técnicas
- _____ técnico
- _____ técnicos
- _____ técnica
- _____ chico
- _____ chicas
- _____ chica
- _____ chicos

Answers: 1. las 2. el 3. los 4. la 5. el 6. las 7. la 8. los