



ARTICLES

The three adjectives *THE*, *A*, and *AN*
are called the *articles*.

the bus *a* taxi *an* opera

The adjective *THE* is called the DEFINITE article,

and the adjectives *A* and *AN*
are called the INDEFINITE articles.

POSSESSIVE ADJECTIVES

The adjectives
my, *your*, *his*, *her*, *their*, *its*, *our*, *your*, and *their*
show possession:

I lost *my* book. ✓

We found *her* racket.

Their house is brick.

Every house has *its* own window.

(NOTICE AGAIN: The possessive *its* has no apostrophe.

The word *it's* is a contraction that means *it is*.

It's a good idea to know *its* name.)



Take Me Out to the Pronoun Game

In Grammar Town
one blue afternoon,
there was a baseball game
at Abbotcostello Field
between the interrogative pronouns
and the demonstrative pronouns.
Subject pronouns filled the stands.
In the first inning **This** pitched to **Who**,
Who hit a fly ball to **That**,
That threw to **This**, **This** threw to **Those**,
He and **She** cheered,
and **They** applauded.
Then **This** threw a curve to **What**,
and **What** hit a grounder to right field,
where **These** caught it and threw to **Those**,
who threw to **This**. Safe.
“Who’s up,” asked **She**, but **He** said,
“**Who**’s out, and **What**’s on first,
but **Which** is up next.”
“That’s what **I** want to know,” said **She**,
but **He** said, “No, **That**’s up after **Which**.”
“What?” **She** asked.
“**Which**, I said,” **He** said.