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Definite And Indefinite Articles

In the English language, we need to put the indefinite and definite articles before some nouns to define them or indicate that they are indefinite. These tools are called definite and indefinite articles in English, and they are: a/an, the.

It is very important to know which of these tools we should use, just as it is important to know when we should not use any tool! Here we will explain the uses of these tools with examples.



1- Indefinite articles **a/an**

2- The definite article **the**

1- Indefinite articles **a/an**

In fact, these two tools are one tool that has the same function, which is the indefinite article, and this tool is a, but we are forced to add the letter n to it with some nouns to prevent two vowels from meeting.

Therefore, we use a before nouns that begin with a consonant, and we use an before nouns that begin with a letter. My voice. The phonetic letters are: u.o.i.e.a



First:

- before singular countable nouns, that is, nouns that are plural but only in their singular form

Example:

- I am eating an apple
- My father is a teacher

Second:

We use indefinite articles when we talk about a single thing in general, not a specific thing.

Example:



- I need a watch
- My mother wants to buy a coat (a coat)

Third:

- We use the indefinite articles to talk about a single thing that is unknown and has not been talked about before

Example:

- I have seen a cat in the street (an unknown cat that has not been mentioned before)
- I am a student (new information you provide to someone who has not known it before).



2- The definite article **the**

It plays the role of definition in Arabic and is used in the following cases:

Firstly - we use the definite article **the** for things that are already known, specified or mentioned before

– I have a watch, the watch is blue (in the second part, we are talking about the specific watch that I mentioned that I own)



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Secondly - when talking about the unique and special things in the universe.

– the moon

– the sun

– the world

Third - when mentioning a description or information that defines the name and makes it distinctive



– I am watching the movie you told me about (so not any movie but a specific movie)

– I will wear the blue shirt (specifically blue).

When should you not use any of the definite and indefinite articles?

Firstly - we do not use any tool with uncountable nouns when we talk about them in general



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– We need air to breathe (air is an uncountable noun that cannot be pluralized, and here we are talking about it in general)

Secondly - when we talk about countable nouns in general, which are in the plural form

– I like cats but I don't like dogs.



Meanings of symbols on the transmission

P: This letter means Park, i.e. stop, and when used, the transmission will be locked and the car will not move

R: This letter means Reverse, meaning going backwards, and is used when wanting to go backwards

N: Abbreviation of the word Neutral, meaning neutral or neutral position, and it is used when wanting to separate the transmission from the wheels



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D: This letter refers to the word Drive, which is used to express the desire to move the vehicle forward

L or 1: This letter indicates the word Low Gear, i.e. the first speed

S or 2: This letter means Second Gear, meaning second speed

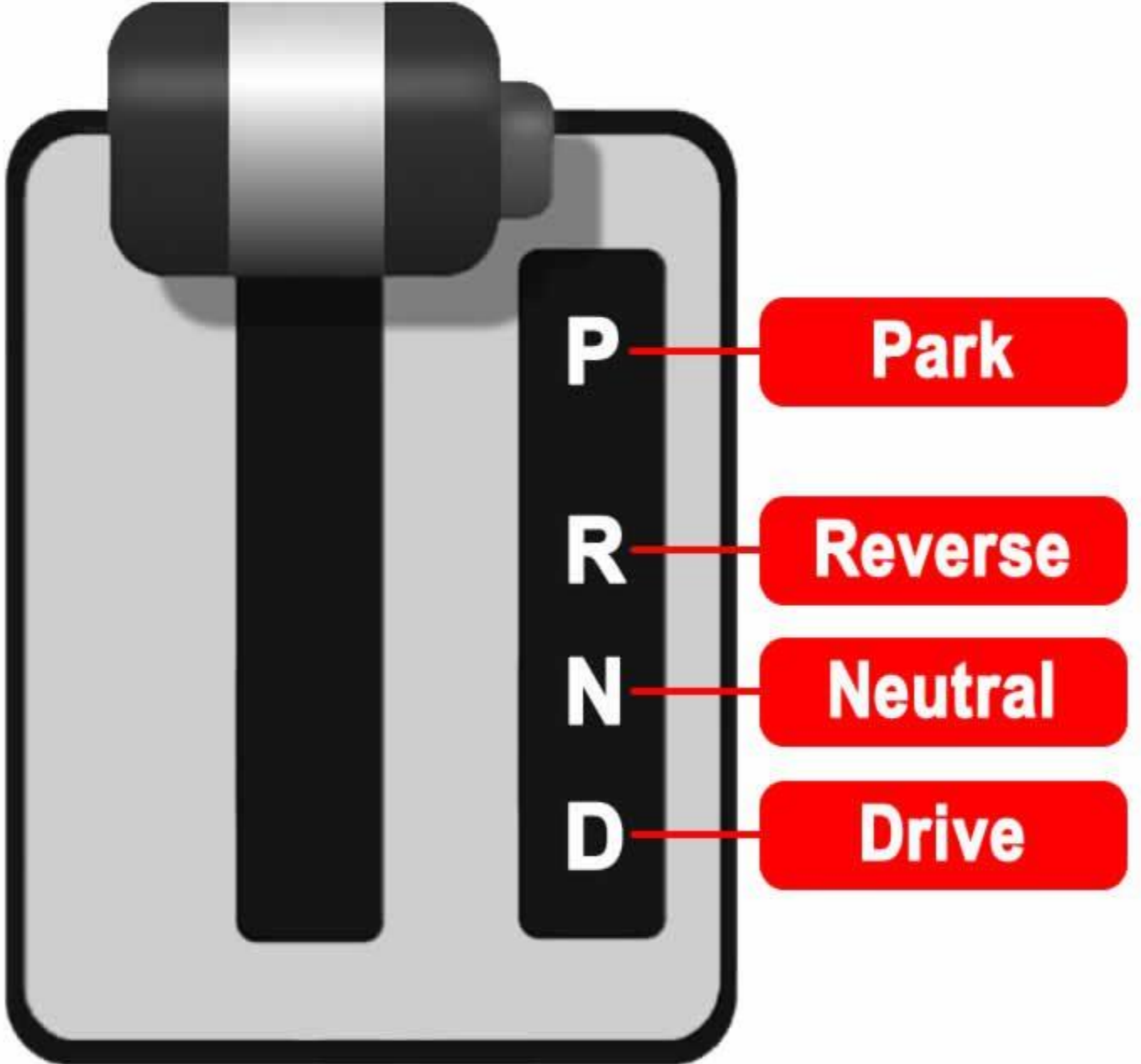


معاني الرموز على ناقل الحركة

- . أي توقف، وعند Park هذا الحرف يعني P: .
استخدامه سيتم قفل ناقل الحركة ومنع السيارة التحرك
- . أي السير إلى Reverse هذا الحرف يعني R: .
الخلف، ويستعمل عند الرغبة في الرجوع إلى الوراء
- . أي المحايد أو وضع Neutral اختصار كلمة N: .
الحياد، ويتم استخدامه عن الرغبة بفصل ناقل الحركة
عن العجلات
- . أي القيادة، Drive يشير هذا الحرف إلى كلمة D: .
وهو ما يتم استخدامه عن الرغبة بالتحرك والسير
بالمركبة إلى الأمام
- . أي Low Gear أو ١: يشير هذا الحرف إلى كلمة L .
السرعة الأولى
- . أي Second Gear أو ٢: يعني هذا الحرف كلمة S .
أي السرعة الثانية



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Thank You!