

Articles

Class objective: I'll be able to use the articles appropriately in Portuguese.

Concept A: Os artigos

In Portuguese,

- Every noun (person, place, or thing) is either masculine or feminine.
- Masculine nouns go with the definite articles o and os.
- Feminine nouns go with the definite articles a and as.

Concept B: Artigos definidos/ definite articles

	Singular	Plural
Masculine	O	Os
Feminine	A	As

- O (masculine singular), O livro (the book)
- A (masculine singular) A casa (the house)
- Os (masculine plural) Os livros (the books)
- As (feminine plural) As casas (the houses)

Expressions:

- A ponte é estreita. The bridge is narrow.
- O gato é preto. The cat is black.
- A caneta é preta. The pen is black.
- O telefone é novo. The phone is new.
- O Quadro é velho. The painting is old.

Concept C: Os artigos indefinidos

	Singular	Plural
Masculine	Um	Uns
Feminine	Uma	Umas

- Uma caneta. A pen.
- Um supermercado .A supermarket.
- Uns amigos. The friends.
- Umas amigas.The friends.
- Uns primos. The cousins.

Concept D: Difference between os artigos definidos e os artigos indefinidos.





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