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## TASK 1

**Activity 1: Practise using articles**

Complete a short text by inserting in each gap a definite article 'the', and indefinite article 'a' or 'an', or 'N/A' for no article.

Cholesterol, which is \_\_ (1) \_\_ fatty substance mainly secreted by \_\_ (2) \_\_ liver, is used by the body in the production of cell membranes and \_\_ (3) \_\_ hormones. There are two types of cholesterol, which are known as \_\_ (4) \_\_ LDL-cholesterol and HDL-cholesterol. \_\_ (5) \_\_ first is a type of cholesterol that is not good since it is excess to \_\_ (6) \_\_ body's requirements and can remain in the body. In contrast, the latter is a useful type, which leaves the body tissues and can be eliminated, keeping \_\_ (7) \_\_ heart in good condition. Both types are transported around \_\_ (8) \_\_ body by \_\_ (9) \_\_ carriers in the bloodstream. It is important to manage \_\_ (10) \_\_ types of cholesterol in our bodies and maintain them at \_\_ (11) \_\_ healthy levels. \_\_ (12) \_\_ healthy diet can help in this respect and \_\_ (13) \_\_ polyunsaturated or monounsaturated fats are preferred to saturated and trans fats. It is also important to avoid being overweight and ensure \_\_ (14) \_\_ regular exercise.

[http://elanguages.ac.uk/tomsk/grammar/assessing\\_yourself\\_on\\_articles.html](http://elanguages.ac.uk/tomsk/grammar/assessing_yourself_on_articles.html)

Answers:

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| 1. |  | 4. |  | 7. |  | 10. |  | 13. |  |
| 2. |  | 5. |  | 8. |  | 11. |  | 14. |  |
| 3. |  | 6. |  | 9. |  | 12. |  |     |  |

## TASK 2

**Activity 2: Rewriting relative clauses as noun phrases**

Make noun phrases from the noun and relative clause fragments.

1. People who create web pages.
2. Plants that are grown in this way.
3. The fossils that have been newly unearthed.
4. Some radio stations that broadcast on shortwave.
5. A company that is run by the state.
6. The research that has been reported here.

[http://elanguages.ac.uk/tomsk/grammar/using\\_noun\\_phrases\\_instead\\_of\\_clauses.html](http://elanguages.ac.uk/tomsk/grammar/using_noun_phrases_instead_of_clauses.html)

Answers:

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| 1. |  |
| 2. |  |
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| 4. |  |
| 5. |  |
| 6. |  |

## TASK 3

**Activity 2: Hedging through adverbs**

Rewrite these statements using adverbs instead of adjectives.

1. It is probable that human activity is the cause of global warming.

2. It is possible that grammar instruction speeds up learning.
3. It is likely that the go government will increase VAT in the next budget.
4. It is conceivable that the population of the country will double by the end of the next decade.

[http://elanguages.ac.uk/tomsk/grammar/introduction\\_to\\_hedging\\_or\\_cautious\\_language.html](http://elanguages.ac.uk/tomsk/grammar/introduction_to_hedging_or_cautious_language.html)

Answers:

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| 1. |  |
| 2. |  |
| 3. |  |
| 4. |  |

#### TASK 4

**Activity 2: Reformulate the sentences using the structure in brackets so that it keeps the same meaning.**

1. Economic forecasts are used to predict changes that may have an impact on the company. (for+ verb(ing) / noun)
2. They reduced taxes to stimulate demand. (so that)
3. The new device is used so that the position of cars can be located at any time. (in order to)
4. A shredder is used in order to destroy confidential records. (for+ verb(ing) / noun)
5. The new service is used so that people can be advised how to start a business. (for+ verb(ing) / noun)

[http://elanguages.ac.uk/tomsk/grammar/structures\\_for\\_expressing\\_purpose.html](http://elanguages.ac.uk/tomsk/grammar/structures_for_expressing_purpose.html)

Answers:

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| 1. |  |
| 2. |  |
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### TASK 1

#### Activity 1: Practise using articles

|    |     |    |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |
|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1. | a   | 4. | N/A | 7. | the | 10. | the | 13. | N/A |
| 2. | the | 5. | The | 8. | the | 11. | N/A | 14. | N/A |
| 3. | N/A | 6. | the | 9. | N/A | 12. | A   |     |     |

### TASK 2

#### Activity 2: Rewriting relative clauses as noun phrases

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| 1. | web page creators             |
| 2. | plants grown in this way      |
| 3. | newly unearthed fossils       |
| 4. | some shortwave radio stations |
| 5. | a state-run company           |
| 6. | the research reported here    |

### TASK 3

#### Activity 2: Hedging through adverbs

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| 1. | Human activity is probably the cause of global warming.                              |
| 2. | Grammar instruction possibly speeds up learning                                      |
| 3. | The government is likely to increase VAT in the next budget.                         |
| 4. | The population of the country will conceivably double by the end of the next decade. |

### TASK 4

#### Activity 2: Reformulate the sentences using the structure in brackets so that it keeps the same meaning.

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| 1. | Economic forecasts are used for predicting changes that may have an impact on the company. |
| 2. | They reduced taxes so that they could stimulate demand / demand could be stimulated.       |
| 3. | The new device is used in order to locate the position of cars at any time.                |
| 4. | A shredder is for destroying confidential records.   |
| 5. | The new service is used for advising people how to start a business.                       |