

# More facts about the use of articles

Articles with geographical names.

- **The definite article is used with the names of:**

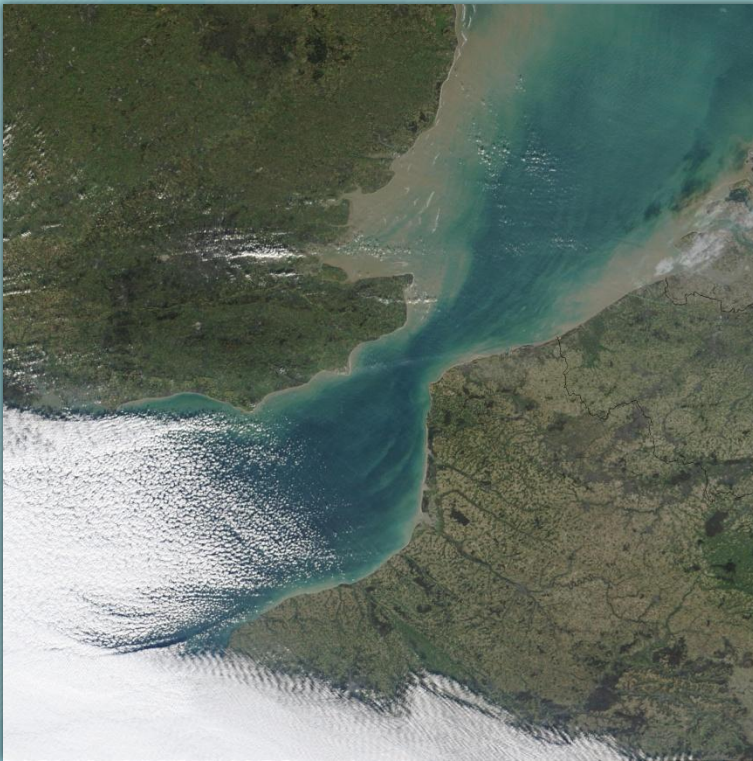
- **Channels: the English Channel, the Bristol Channel**



- **Canals: the Panama Canal, the Suez Canal**



- **Straits:** the Strait of Dover, the Bosphorus, the Bering Strait



- Falls:the Niagara Falls, the Victoria Falls



- **Deserts: the Kara-Kum, the Sahara**



- **Mountain chains: the Alps, the Andes, the Rocky Mountains (the Rockies), the Appalachian Mountains (the Appalachians)**





- **Groups of islands: the Philippine Islands (the Philippines), the Bermuda Islands (the Bermudas)**



- The definite articles is used if a geographical name includes the so-called «of-phrase»: **the** city of London, **the** Gulf of Mexico, **the** Bay of Bengal, **the** Isle of White.

- **No article is used with the names of:**

- Peninsulas: Cornwall, Kamchatka.
- But if the word *peninsula* itself is included into the name, the definite article is used. Cf.: **the** Balkan Peninsula, **the** Kola peninsula.



- Separate mountain peaks: Elbrus, Everest



- Volcanoes: Vesuvius (Mount Vesuvius)



- Separate islands: Cuba, Malta, Long Island



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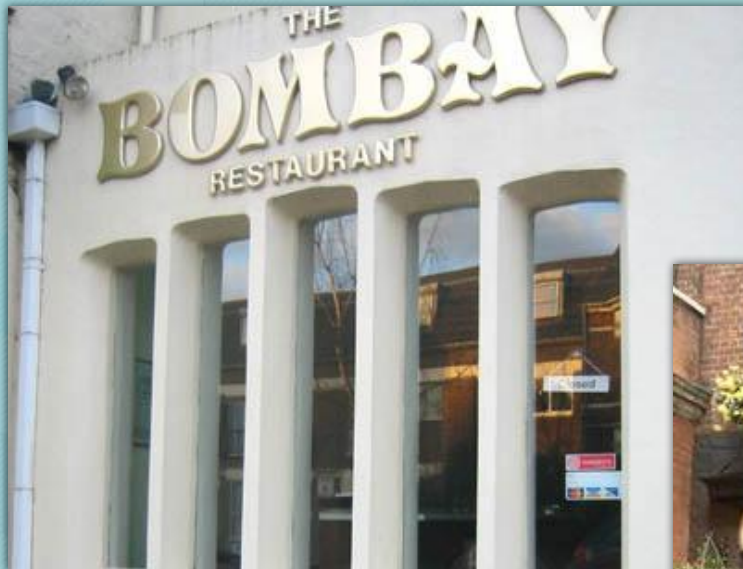
Articles with place names.

- **The definite article is usually used before the names of:**

- **Hotels: the Hilton Hotel, the Carlton Hotel**



- **Restaurants/pubs:** the Bombay Restaurant, the Swan (*pub*), the Peking Duck (*restaurant*)



- Theatres/cinemas: the Bolshoi Theatre, the Odeon, the Forum (*cinema*)



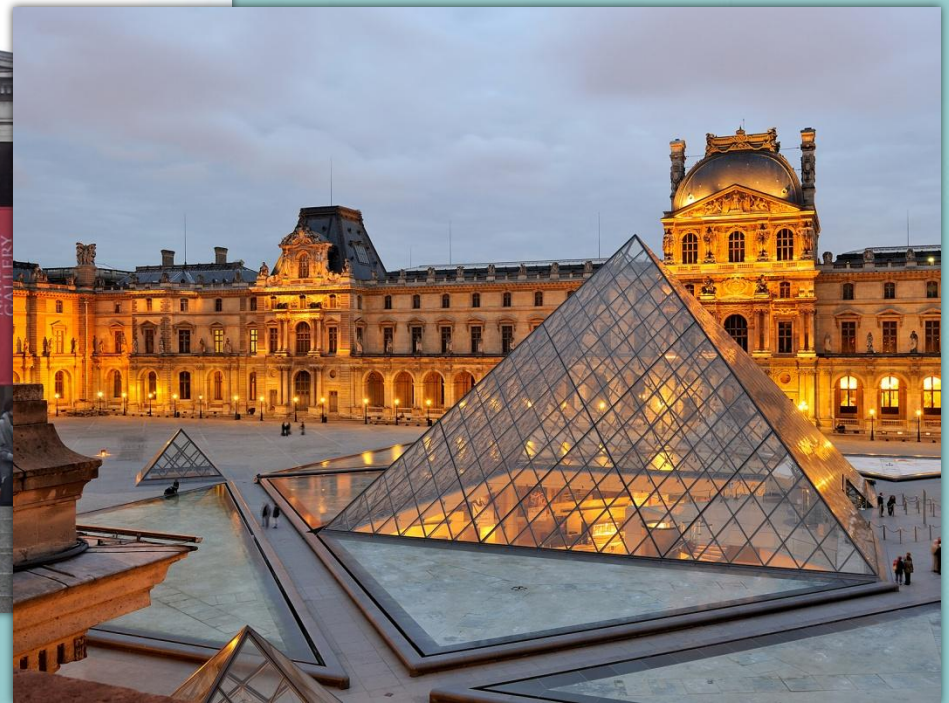
- Concert halls: the Royal Albert Hall



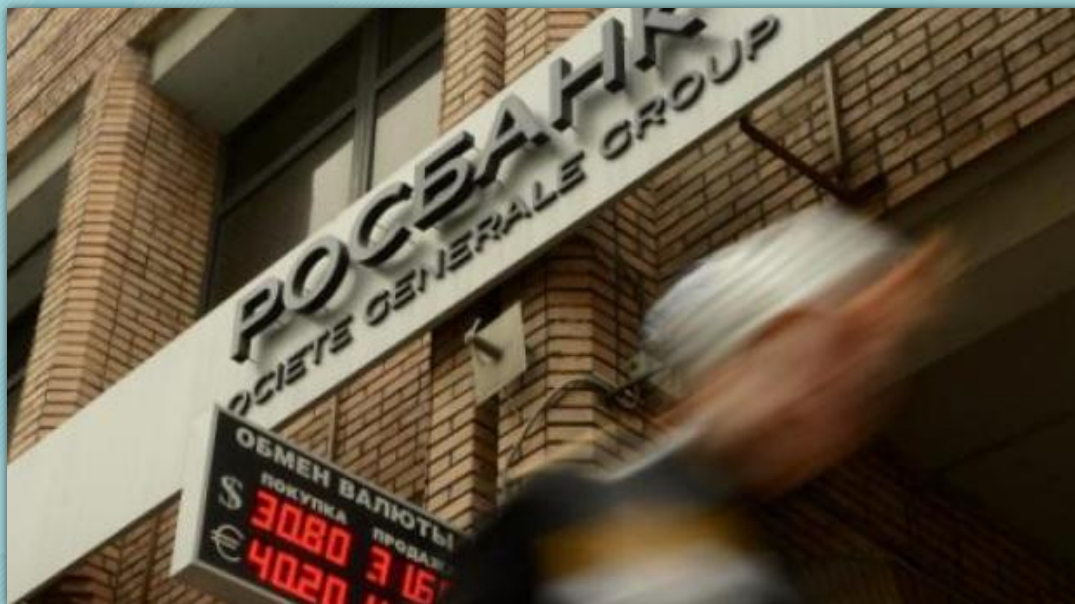
- Museums: the Pushkin Fine Arts Museum



- **Galleries: the National Gallery, the Hermitage, the Louvre**



- Banks: the Russian Trade and Industry Bank





- But if the restaurants, hotels etc. are named after the people who started them, no article is used. Such names end in **s** or **`s**:
- **Restaurants:** Maxim`s, MacDonald`s, Luigi`s Italian Restaurant
- **Hotels:** Claridge`s



- The same is true about the names of shops and banks:
- **Shops:** Harrods, Selfridges, Harrison`s
- **Banks:** Lloyd Bank, Barclay Bank



- The definite article is used if a place name includes the so-called «of-phrase»: **the** Bank of England, **the** Tower of London, **the** Museum of Modern Art.



- **No article is used with the names of:**

- **Railway stations: Victoria Station, Paddington Station**



- Airports: Heathrow, Gatwick, Vnukovo



- Roads, avenues: Broadway, 42<sup>nd</sup> avenue, King`s Road



- **Bridges:** Bank Bridge, Kazan Bridge. **BUT:** the Golden Gate Bridge





- **Universities:** Moscow University, Cambridge (University)



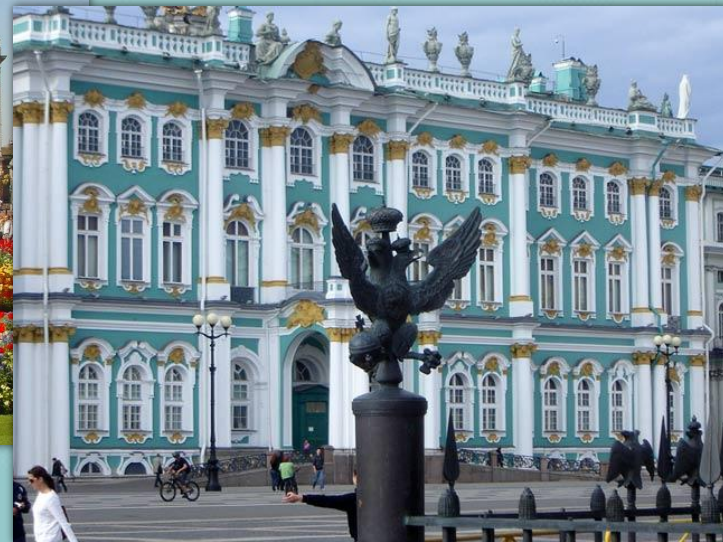
- Parks: Gorky Park, Hyde Park



- Churches/cathedrals: St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, St. John's Church



- **Palaces/castles:** Buckingham Palace, Winter Palace, Edinburgh Castle. **BUT:** the White House, the Royal Palace



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