Articles with Geographical Names
Articles (Places and Geographical Names) – Lesson 24, Part 2, English Grammar
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rc_zCcUvR7Y

Listen to and watch the video and take notes.

Will you use the definite article before these names? Give examples.

rivers……………… cities …………………………
groups of islands…….. oceans ………………………
lakes…………………… continents……………………
groups of islands……… geographical regions …………
states……………….. mountains……………………
planets……………… seas …………………………

Other names not mentioned in the video:
deserts……………… valleys……………………
peninsulas………….. capes……………………
straits………………….. currents………………
gulfs………………….. bays……………………

EXERCISES:

1. Insert the definite article where appropriate.

a) …….United Kingdom
b) ……. Germany
c) ….. Vltava
d) …… Amazonia
e) ……. Mount Everest
f) ……… European Union
g) ……..Thames
h) …….. Holland
i) …….East Borneo
j) ……. USA
k) ……. Isle of Man
l) …….. Northern Africa
m) ……..Indian Ocean
n) ............Baltic Sea
o) ............Middle East
p) ............Western Hemisphere
q) ............Cape Horn
r) ............Iberian Peninsula
s) ............Great Britain
t) ............Aleutians
u) ............Niagara Falls
v) ............Mount Fuji
w) ............Himalayas
x) ............Oklahoma City
y) ............North Pole
z) ............Kingdom of Denmark
aa) ..........Sahara
bb) ..........Silicon Valley
cc) ..........Black Hills
dd) ..........Kalahari Desert

2) Delete the superfluous definite articles.

a) He’s traveling in the Americas. He left the Hawaii yesterday in the morning. And he arrived in the Galapagos Islands in the evening.

b) He lives in the capital, the Vilnius. And he plays with the Vilnius Philharmonic.

c) The Nile flows into the Mediterranean, doesn’t it? – Yes. And does it flow through the Sahara?

d) The Everest, the highest mountain in the world, is in the Himalayas.

e) The Great Lakes are in the central North America. The largest of the lakes is the Lake Superior.

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planets...........no............. seas .................yes..............

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