

**Abstract**  
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**Title:** The concept of article in the Spanish Grammar

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**Topical Importance:** The importance of this topic is determined by the fact that article is the most complex grammatical phenomenon in the process of teaching of foreign language. Didactic experience shows that normative and practical grammars poorly cope with teaching of the grammar of speech, hence there is a need to renew the explanation of the article's usage with relation to normative, practical and communicative grammars. The use of new theoretical approaches in the explanation of this grammatical phenomenon makes it easy to understand and helps to avoid a significant number of mistakes.

**Goals:** The main goal is to reveal the principles, methods and approaches in the description of the article in the Spanish Grammar, as well as to disclose the logic of the linguistic understanding of the article's nature.

**Tasks are:**

- to show the way of evolution of the concept of article's grammatical status and its place in the grammatical system of the Spanish language;
- to show the beneficial influence of the ideas of logical theory of reference in the describing of the semantics of the article;
- to show the effectiveness of the application of modern referential theory in didactic purposes.

**Theoretical value and practical applicability** are determined by the possibility of the application of the results in the process of teaching theoretical and practical grammar of the Spanish language and it also can be used in the theory and practice of translation.

**Implementation advice:** The theoretical innovation can be successfully adapted for the Spanish grammar textbooks and applied in the teaching of the Spanish language at university.