1. **General rule.** Do not establish subject headings with an article (definite or indefinite) in the initial position. This instruction applies both to English articles and to all foreign language equivalents in the nominative case. *Examples:*

   150 ## $a Arts
   
   [not] 150 ## $a The arts

   150 ## $a Finite, The
   
   [not] 150 ## $a The finite

   150 ## $a Questione della lingua
   
   [not] 150 ## $a La questione della lingua

2. **Geographic names.** For geographic names beginning with an article, see H 690, sec. 6.

3. **Titles of publications.** Omit all initial articles that precede words in the nominative case when assigning titles as subject headings. For further details about the assignment of uniform titles as subject headings, see H 1435.