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## Scarce Or Selective

**Directions:** Read the passage below. Underline each determiner (*few*, *a few*, or *the few*). Then, write whether it shows **scarcity** (meaning "not many") or **selectiveness** (meaning a small, specific group). Write your answers in the box.

When the hiking club planned a weekend trip to the mountains, only *a few* students signed up. The forecast predicted rain, and *few* people wanted to spend their weekend drenched in mud. On Saturday morning, *the few* hikers who came prepared with waterproof jackets and boots met at the trailhead. As the rain began to fall, *a few* of them laughed, treating it as an adventure. By lunchtime, *few* had any dry socks left, but *the few* who stayed positive managed to finish the climb. When they returned on Sunday, the teacher praised *the few* who didn't give up despite the weather.