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## Use of Few, a few, the few.-

Few denotes not many. It has a negative meaning. He has read few books. Few men can keep a secret. Few people are free from faults.

A few denotes some at least- a certain number, however few. It has a positive meaning. He has a few friends. A few men live a pious life.

The few denotes not many. It has both a positive and a negative meaning.

The few are rich, the many are poor. He lost the few friends he had.

It means-

1. The friends he had were not many.

(Negative)

2. He lost all the friends he had.

(Positive)