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Proper and Common Nouns

Common Nouns are not capitalized and are people, places and things and ideas that are general and not specific. **Proper Nouns** are always capitalized as they refer to very specific people, locations, things and and people.

Proper Nouns A

Circle the proper nouns that need capitalization

school	yosemite	parents
symbol	pencil	notre dame
nike	garage	hersheys
chapter	california	kisses
los angeles	instrument	almonds
groceries	north Carolina	azalea middle school
bill clinton	hospital	titanic

Proper Nouns B

Choose 5 of the proper nouns circled above and write a sentence for each noun.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Proper and Common Nouns C

Rewrite the sentence to include capitalization for any Proper nouns.

1. i live in the state of texas. _____
2. do you think that stan is your best friend? _____
3. i must say that sarah is a very smart student. _____
4. the dodgers are good baseball team. _____
5. i live on lightview street. _____
6. asia is a very large continent. _____
7. i live in the united states of america. _____

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Abstract Nouns vs. Concrete Nouns

Concrete nouns are the “person, place and thing” element that represents physical nouns you can touch, smell, hear, feel or sense overall. **Abstract nouns** represent ideas rather than objects.

Concrete Nouns A

Circle all the abstract nouns.

toyota	child	loyalty	hospital	friendship	faith	protein	love
wisdom	honesty	knowledge	doves	justice	bravery	reality	truth
despair	calm	compassion	hope	freedom	family	courage	joy

Abstract Nouns -Write 5 sentences with any 5 circled Abstract Nouns.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Abstract Nouns B: Circle the abstract noun in each sentence below.

1. I respected the honesty my friend showed.
2. Can you believe that woman’s brilliance?
3. To my delight, everyone arrived on time.
4. She was in great despair when she lost her phone.
5. We have a lot of hope for the future.
6. They showed extreme joy when they helped others.
7. The men had much bravery on the battlefield.
8. My mother always shows great compassion for her children.
9. We have a ton of pride in our school.
10. They showed honor and respect to the veterans with the awards ceremony.

Abstract Proper Nouns C

Some Abstract nouns are still capitalized. Circle all the ones that are abstract but always capitalized.

keys	wednesday	music	hands	christianity	october	step	rain
music	easter	hands	midwest	records	songs	spanish	hip
hop	republican	records	steps	rain	ceiling	the west	wave

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Capitalization Proper Nouns (and beginning of sentences)

Write each sentence below. Capitalize each one correctly.

1. the class was ready to go on the field trip to the new york zoo.

2. ms washington was an excellent helper at the school.

3. we went to the grand canyon for vacation during the summer.

4. my friends love to go to disneyland during the winter.

5. students get restless in the month of may.

6. lebron james is one of the greatest basketball players in the nba.

7. italian food is one my favorite types of food for dinner.

8. the olympics will be held in the country of brazil next year.

9. ms. zocchi is my middle school english teacher.

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Capitalization Proper Nouns (and beginning of sentences)

Write each sentence below. Capitalize each one correctly.

1. what is your name?

2. This is the first time i have met someone with that name.

3. My name is john. I am from montreal, quebec, canada.

4. I study applied linguistics at concordia university.

5. My professor is canadian, too.

6. She speaks english, french and korean.

7. My baby brother was born on september 7th, 2011.

8. He was born on a wednesday.

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Collective Nouns A

A collective noun is a word that refers to a group. Circle the collective noun or nouns in each sentence.

1. The army of soldiers walked across the land.
2. The troops headed towards the battlefield.
3. The flock of geese flew over the lake.
4. The herd moved towards the river.
5. I bought a loaf of bread at the market.
6. The group of dancers went to the auditorium.
7. A tribe of natives lived on the empty land.
8. A hive of bees attacked the boy.
9. A flock of birds flew over my house.
10. A tribe of baboons swung on trees in the forest.
11. A sloth of bears looked in the river for fish.
12. A clan of hyenas looked for food.

Collective Nouns B

Directions: Read each sentence below. Fill-in the blank with a collective noun from the word box.

oxen	leopards	islands	arrows	trucks	monkeys	wolves
books						

1. The _____ were blocking the road.
2. The _____ have spots and run very fast.
3. We saw many _____ driving on the freeway.
4. He shot the _____ at the target.
5. The _____ swung from tree to tree.
6. The _____ howled at midnight.
7. We had to return _____ to the library.
8. We traveled to the most exotic _____.