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1 Common and Proper Nouns

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Take Off



Let's play a game. Your teacher will call out a letter. You will write the name of a person, a place, an animal and a thing beginning with that letter.

Person	Place	Animal	Thing
Arjun	Australia	Ape	Axe
Babita	Bangalore	Bear	Book
Chaaya	China	Cat	Car
Dimple	Delhi	Dog	Desk
Elizabeth	Egypt	Elephant	Eraser
Farhaan	France	Fish	Fan

Did you enjoy the activity? Now, read about these girls. Pay attention to how they are introducing themselves.



I am a girl.
I like to eat chips.
I live in a city.
I have a pet cat.

My name is Kritika.
I like to eat Doritos.
I live in Hyderabad.
My cat's name is Luna.



How are these two introductions different? Which one did you like better?

The girl on the left uses general names while the one on the right uses specific names.

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Common Nouns

Look at the scene at a park. Then complete these sentences using naming words from the box below.



seesaw swing day parents park ducks slide

It is a bright day. The park looks beautiful. Ruby and her brother Sunny are on the seesaw. Sam is enjoying himself on the slide. Rita is having fun on the swing. The ducks are in the pond. Smriti is walking with her parents.

Naming words are called nouns.

Common names of persons, animals, places or things of the same kind are called common nouns. *Seesaws*, *children*, *lake*, *water* and *trees* are some examples of common nouns.

Common nouns begin with small letters.

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A **Look at the picture of a forest given below. Underline the common nouns in the sentences that follow.**



1. The forest has many animals.
2. Two deer are grazing on the grass.
3. A monkey is swinging from a branch of a tree.
4. A bird is sitting in its nest.
5. A bear and an elephant are drinking water from the pond.
6. A tiger is hiding in the bushes.
7. A giraffe is eating the leaves of a tree.

B **Look at the pictures. Then fill in the blanks with common nouns from the box.**

ball	seeds	basket	pond	balloons	sea	halwa	ship

1. Pari is having halwa.



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2. Kundan is swimming in the pond.



3. Madan is selling balloons.



4. The ship is sailing on the sea.



5. Raju is throwing a ball into the basket.



6. The gardener is planting the seeds.



C **The nouns in each row given below belong to a particular family. Write the name of the family. Choose from the given family names.**

flower | vehicle | fruit | vegetable | stationery

1.	guava	pineapple	lemon	pear	fruit
2.	cabbage	turnip	cauliflower	peas	vegetable
3.	marigold	lily	lotus	tulip	flower
4.	pencil	pen	notebook	eraser	stationery
5.	car	train	ship	bicycle	vehicle

Proper Nouns

Write your name below. Remember to begin your name with a capital letter.

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This is your special name.

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The special names of people, places, animals and things are called proper nouns.

A proper noun always begins with a capital letter. Names of months, days of the week and special days are also proper nouns.

Monday, Wednesday, April, Christmas, Diwali, Republic Day

Some more examples of proper nouns are:

Hari (name of a boy)
Ahmedabad (name of a place)
Uttara (name of a girl)
Eid (name of a festival)
the Kaveri (name of a river)
Hindi (name of a language)

Language Point

A common noun begins with a capital letter if it is the first word in a sentence.

A proper noun begins with a capital letter even if it comes in the middle of a sentence.