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- A **common noun** names any person, place, or thing.
- A **proper noun** is the name or title of a specific person, place, or organization.
- Proper nouns begin with capital letters. If a proper noun has more than one word, each important word begins with a capital letter.

Read each sentence and circle the nouns. Write **C** over each noun that is a *common noun*. Write **P** over each noun that is a *proper noun*.

1. The <sup>C</sup>(house) is brown and white.
2. <sup>P</sup>(Mrs. LaRusso) is my <sup>C</sup>(teacher).
3. My <sup>C</sup>(cousin) is moving to <sup>P</sup>(New York City).
4. Does <sup>P</sup>(Ellie) want to go to the <sup>C</sup>(carnival)?
5. <sup>P</sup>(Uncle Pete) is volunteering for the <sup>P</sup>(Peace Corps).
6. <sup>P</sup>(Dr. Grady) was kind and helpful.
7. The <sup>C</sup>(dog) and <sup>C</sup>(cat) waited patiently for <sup>C</sup>(dinner).
8. <sup>P</sup>(Derek) knows how to play the <sup>C</sup>(trumpet) and the <sup>C</sup>(trombone).
9. The <sup>P</sup>(Big Apple Circus) was first performed in <sup>P</sup>(Kent), <sup>P</sup>(England).
10. Many <sup>C</sup>(actors) auditioned for the lead <sup>C</sup>(role) in the <sup>C</sup>(play).

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- A **concrete noun** names a person, place, or thing that can be identified with any of the five senses: sight, hearing, touch, smell, or taste.
- An **abstract noun** names a person, place, or thing that cannot be identified with any of the five senses. Abstract nouns usually name ideas.

**Read the list of nouns below. Decide whether each word is a concrete noun or an abstract noun. Sort the words in the correct columns.**

paper	loyalty	pain	watermelon
trust	baseball	pride	courage
student	honesty	music	sunshine
love	animal	perfume	peace

**CONCRETE**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **paper** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **student** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **baseball** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **animal** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **music** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **perfume** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **watermelon** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **sunshine** \_\_\_\_\_

**ABSTRACT**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **trust** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **love** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **loyalty** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **honesty** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **pain** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **pride** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **courage** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **peace** \_\_\_\_\_

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- Capitalize each important word in a proper noun.
- Capitalize names of days of the week, months, and holidays; important words in titles of publications; names of languages, races, nationalities, and historical events; and product and geographical names.

**Write each sentence correctly using capital letters for proper nouns.**

1. I will speak with mr. perry on friday.

**I will speak with Mr. Perry on Friday.**

2. I read an essay called, “the kindness of a stranger.”

**I read an essay called, “The Kindness of a Stranger.”**

3. We will visit the grand canyon right after memorial day!

**We will visit the Grand Canyon right after Memorial Day!**

4. Did you see alfonso make that goal on the soccer field?

**Did you see Alfonso make that goal on the soccer field?**

5. The family visited paris but did not speak french.

**The family visited Paris but did not speak French.**

6. My friend lucy is asian, and I am african american.

**My friend Lucy is Asian, and I am African American.**

7. The civil war was a difficult time in american history.

**The Civil War was a difficult time in American history.**

8. What flavor of white brite toothpaste is your favorite?

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- **Concrete nouns** can be identified with the five senses. **Abstract nouns** cannot be identified with the senses—they are usually ideas, such as bravery or freedom.
- Capitalize each important word in a proper noun, including days, months, holidays, titles, languages, races, nationalities, historical events, and product and geographical names.

**Rewrite the sentences below correcting mistakes in capitalization of nouns.**

1. My brother eli says that all soldiers are brave.

**My brother Eli says that all soldiers are brave.**

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2. Does your Aunt have an appointment with the Dentist in January?

**Does your aunt have an appointment with the dentist in January?**

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3. I moved from chicago to orlando a few Years ago.

**I moved from Chicago to Orlando a few years ago.**

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4. Mom and dad have Faith that things will work out for the best.

**Mom and Dad have faith that things will work out for the best.**

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5. Is this book written in spanish or italian?

**Is this book written in Spanish or Italian?**

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**A. Read each sentence. Circle the letter of the sentence that has an abstract noun.**

1. **a.** The wagon could only hold twenty people.  
**b.** The report was too long.  
**c.** These flowers were a nice thought.  
**d.** My sister wants to be a lawyer.
2. **a.** I could barely contain my excitement!  
**b.** Does Winston know how to get to the party?  
**c.** The lion hid in the tall grass on the plains.  
**d.** The song played loudly on the radio.

**B. Read each sentence. Circle the noun that uses correct capitalization. Then identify the noun as *common* or *proper* on the line provided.**

3. The car skidded off Berry (road / **Road**) and rolled into the grass field.  
proper
4. I was born at (**noon** / Noon) on a Sunday in the state of Wisconsin. common
5. Do you know what my (**mother** / Mother) does for a living? common
6. Mr. Davidson knows all about the American (revolution / **Revolution**).  
proper
7. Can we go to the Chinese (**restaurant** / Restaurant) that just opened in town?  
common
8. Independence (day / **Day**) is my favorite holiday of the year! proper
9. Did you read this article called, "Being a Good (friend / **Friend**)"? proper
10. Mr. and Mrs. Schloss have to buy some items at the (**market** / Market).  
common