

Lesson 1



1. Common Nouns

A common noun is a name which is used for all things of the same kind or class.

Ex. The name boy may be given to any and every boy such as to Mark, Dexter. It does not belong especially to one particular boy. It is common name to all boys. The name boy is therefore called a common noun.

Other examples of common nouns
child, man, girl, cousin, teacher, friend, school, sea, river, town

2. Proper Nouns

A proper noun is the name of one particular person or thing.

Ex. Liza is a girl's own special name. It does not belong to all girls. The word "proper" means one's own. So the name Liza is called a proper noun. The name city is a common noun but the name "Baguio" which is special name of the city is a proper noun. A proper noun begins with a capital letter.

Common and proper nouns are sometimes called **Concrete nouns**. A concrete noun is the name of any material object that has the qualities that can be seen, touched, smelled, tasted like candy, box, stone, fruit, etc.

<u>Common Nouns</u> (Names that belong to all)	<u>Proper Nouns</u> (Special Names)
woman	Marie
man	Dr. Andy Torres
country	Korea
month	April
language	English
holiday	Summer vacation
nationality	Canadian
day	Monday
street	Paris St.
ocean	Pacific Ocean
bank	Union Bank
island	San Miguel Island
uncle	Uncle Tom

Exercise 1

Pick out the noun in the sentence. Write what the noun names. Write person, place or thing under the title.

	Noun	Names
1. The enemy attacks us.	_____	_____
2. The insect crawls slowly.	_____	_____
3. The canteen is very clean.	_____	_____
4. Are you the manager?	_____	_____
5. Please lend me a broom.	_____	_____
6. The machine is out of order	_____	_____
7. He is the chairman.	_____	_____
8. We live in Asia.	_____	_____
9. Let us go to the beach.	_____	_____
10. I hear the loud sound.	_____	_____

Exercises 2

Write the common noun for each proper noun.

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| 1. Camille _____ | 6. Europe _____ |
| 2. Aspirin _____ | 7. Kia _____ |
| 3. Apple _____ | 8. Eagle _____ |
| 4. Cabbage _____ | 9. In Cheon _____ |
| 5. Engr. Kim _____ | 10. English Dictionary _____ |

Exercise 3

Write the proper noun for each common noun.

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| 1. toothpaste _____ | 6. bus _____ |
| 2. governor _____ | 7. teacher _____ |
| 3. bakery _____ | 8. classmate _____ |
| 4. volcano _____ | 9. dentist _____ |
| 5. store _____ | 10. oil _____ |

Exercise 4

Pick out the word that must begin with capital letter. Rewrite it on the space provided.

- The prince of england got married.

- His mother, queen Elizabeth did not attend the wedding.

- I am a Korean.

- My filipina friend is a female.

- She stays in london.

- I wrote to sister kim chong eun.

- She shops at metro mall.

- The title of the song is remember me.

- My father drinks coke.

- He was born in seoul city.
