

**Different Types of Nouns: Based on what they name**

Nouns can be divided into different types based on what they name.

**a. Common Noun:**

*A Common Noun is a general name for a person, place, animal, or thing. It does not name any particular one or a specific thing.*

Examples:

**Person:** boy, girl, teacher, city, river (here no specific city, boy or girl)

**Place:** park, school, country (here no specific park, school & country)

**Animal:** dog, cat, bird (here no specific dog, cat or birds)

**Thing:** book, table, flower (here no specific book, table or flower)

**A. COMMON NOUN**  
**(General Names)**

 <b>[Person]</b> boy, teacher	 <b>[Place]</b> park, country
 <b>[Animal:</b> [dog, cat]	 <b>[Thing:</b> [book, table]

**Grammar Rule:**  
Not Capitalized

**Grammar Rule:** Common nouns are not capitalized unless they are at the beginning of a sentence.



**b. Proper Noun:**

A Proper Noun is a specific name for a particular person, place, animal, or thing.

Examples:

**Person:** Rohan, Maria, Mr. Sharma (pointing towards a specific person)

**Place:** Mumbai, Mount Everest, India Gate (pointing towards a specific city, mountain and monuments)

**Animal (specific name):** My **dog's** name is **Buddy**. (Buddy is a proper noun)

**Thing (specific name):** Coca-Cola, Taj Mahal, Monday

**B. PROPER NOUN**  
(Specific Names)

<b>[Person]</b> Rohan, Mr. Sharma	<b>[Place]</b> Mumbai, India Gate
<b>[Animal (specific):]</b> Buddy	<b>[Thing:]</b> Monday, Coca-Cola

**Delhi** ← **HINT:** Proper Nouns are names.  
(A Proper Noun)

**Grammar Rule:**  
Always Capitalized

**Grammar Rule:** Proper nouns always begin with a capital letter.



**c. Abstract Noun:**

An Abstract Noun names an idea, feeling, quality, or a state of being that you cannot see, touch, smell, taste, or hear. They are things you can only think about or feel.

**Examples:**

**Feelings:** happiness, sadness, love, anger, excitement

**Qualities:** honesty, courage, beauty, kindness, patience

**Ideas:** freedom, peace, friendship, knowledge, justice



**d. Collective Noun:**

A Collective Noun names a group of people, animals, or things as one single unit.

**Examples:**

A **team** of players

A **flock** of birds

A **class** of students

A **herd** of cows

A **bunch** of grapes



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**□ Practice Set: Nouns & Their Types (Class 5 – High Level)**

**Section A: Fill in the Blanks (Choose the correct noun type or noun)**

**Q1.** \_\_\_\_\_ is a common noun used for a place where children study.

- (a) Delhi
  - (b) School
  - (c) Monday
  - (d) Taj Mahal
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**Q2.** The word “honesty” is an example of a \_\_\_\_\_ noun.

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**Q3.** My friend’s dog, \_\_\_\_\_, loves to play in the park.

- (a) dog
  - (b) puppy
  - (c) Bruno
  - (d) animal
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**Q4.** A \_\_\_\_\_ of lions was resting under the tree.

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**Section B: Identify the Noun and Its Type**

**Q5.** Riya visited the Red Fort with her parents.

- Noun 1: \_\_\_\_\_ → Type: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Noun 2: \_\_\_\_\_ → Type: \_\_\_\_\_
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**Q6.** The class was very noisy today.

- Noun: \_\_\_\_\_ → Type: \_\_\_\_\_
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**Q7.** Courage is needed to speak the truth.

- Noun: \_\_\_\_\_ → Type: \_\_\_\_\_
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**Section C: Match the Following**

**Q8. Match the nouns with their correct types:**

**Column A**

**Column B**

- (i) River      (a) Abstract Noun  
(ii) Team      (b) Common Noun  
(iii) Freedom (c) Collective Noun  
(iv) Ramesh   (d) Proper Noun
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**Section D: Collective Noun Usage**

**Q9.** Choose the correct collective noun:

A \_\_\_\_\_ of keys was found on the table.

- (a) herd  
(b) bunch  
(c) team  
(d) flock
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**Q10.** Which sentence uses a correct collective noun?

- (a) A herd of books  
(b) A flock of birds  
(c) A team of flowers  
(d) A bunch of cows
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**Section E: Identify Abstract Nouns**

**Q11.** Which of the following is an abstract noun?

- (a) Chair  
(b) Teacher  
(c) Happiness  
(d) Dog
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**Q12.** Find the abstract noun in the sentence:

“Her kindness made everyone smile.”



**Section F: Proper vs Common Noun Usage**

**Q13.** Choose the correct sentence:

- (a) i live in india.
  - (b) I live in India.
  - (c) i live in India.
  - (d) I live in india.
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**Q14.** Identify both nouns and their types:

“The boy visited Agra.”

- Noun 1: \_\_\_\_\_ → Type: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Noun 2: \_\_\_\_\_ → Type: \_\_\_\_\_
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**Section G: Mixed Thinking Question**

**Q15.** Read the sentence and answer:

“A group of students showed great bravery during the trip to Jaipur.”

Identify:

- Collective Noun: \_\_\_\_\_
- Abstract Noun: \_\_\_\_\_
- Proper Noun: \_\_\_\_\_



**Answers with Detailed Explanation**

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**A Section**

**A1.** (b) School

"School" is a general name → **Common Noun**

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**A2.** Abstract Noun

"Honesty" is a quality you cannot see → **Abstract**

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**A3.** (c) Bruno

Specific name of dog → **Proper Noun**

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**A4.** Pride

"Pride of lions" → **Collective Noun**

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**B Section**

**A5.**

- Riya → Proper Noun (specific person)
  - Red Fort → Proper Noun (specific place)
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**A6.**

- Class → Collective Noun  
 Refers to a group of students as one unit
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**A7.**

- Courage → Abstract Noun  
 A feeling/quality
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**C Section (Matching)**

**A8. Correct Matches:**

- (i) River → (b) Common Noun
  - (ii) Team → (c) Collective Noun
  - (iii) Freedom → (a) Abstract Noun
  - (iv) Ramesh → (d) Proper Noun
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**D Section**

**A9.** (b) bunch

"Bunch of keys" is correct

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**A10.** (b) A flock of birds

Correct standard usage

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**E Section**

**A11.** (c) Happiness

Cannot be touched → **Abstract**

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**A12.** Kindness

It is a quality → **Abstract Noun**

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**F Section**

**A13.** (b) I live in India.

Proper nouns must be capitalized

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**A14.**

- Boy → Common Noun
  - Agra → Proper Noun
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**G Section**

**A15.**

- Collective Noun → Group
- Abstract Noun → Bravery
- Proper Noun → Jaipur

□ Explanation:

- “Group” = collection → Collective
- “Bravery” = feeling → Abstract
- “Jaipur” = specific place → Proper

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