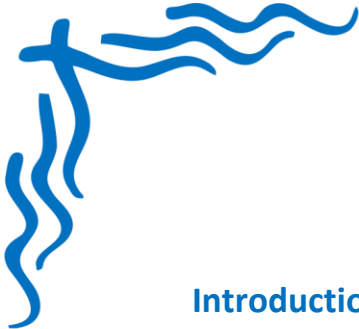




Nouns

Introduction

Nouns are naming words. They name people, places, animals, or things. But not all nouns are the same.

There are two main types:

➤ Common Nouns

➤ Proper Nouns

i. Common Nouns

A Common Noun is a general name for a person, place, animal, or thing.

Examples:

- **Person:** boy, girl, doctor, teacher
- **Animal:** dog, cat, tiger, bird
- **Place:** school, city, country, temple
- **Thing:** book, pen, balloon, bag

Important Rule: Common nouns do not begin with capital letters (unless they are at the start of a sentence).

ii. Proper Nouns

A Proper Noun is the name of a specific person, place, animal, or thing.

Examples:

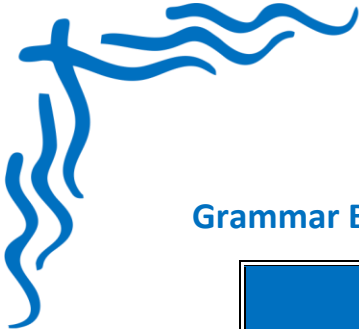
- **Person:** Aman, Kajol, Sachin, Shreya Ghoshal
- **Place:** Kolkata, Delhi, India, Ganga River, Taj Mahal
- **Animal:** Max (a pet dog), Tubo
- **Thing (brand/book/day/month):** Samsung, Kit Kat, Gitanjali, Monday, January

Important Rule: Proper nouns always begin with a capital letter.

Comparison Example

Sentence 1	Sentence 2
A boy is reading a book.	Ashok is reading a book.

- “boy” is a common noun (any boy)
- “Ashok” is a proper noun (a specific name)



Grammar Byte

Common Noun	Proper Noun
girl	Amrita, Sonam
river	Ganga, Yamuna
country	India, France
day	Sunday, Monday
monument	Taj Mahal, India Gate
book	Gitanjali, Wings of Fire

Points to Remember

All naming words are nouns. Nouns can be common or proper.

Common Noun = general name → small letter

Proper Noun = specific name → capital letter

Activities from the Chapter

i. Circle the common nouns and underline the proper nouns:

- **Example:** Pami is a good girl.

ii. Match common nouns with proper nouns:

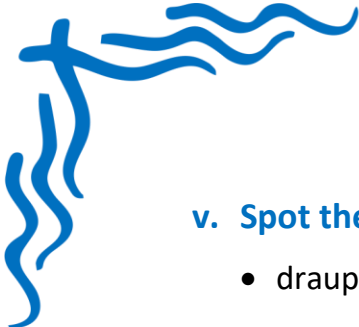
- **River:** Yamuna
- **Monument:** Taj Mahal

iii. Sorting exercise:

- Separate common and proper nouns from a list:
- taj mahal, doctor, january, assam, rohit, teacher...

iv. Write about yourself:

- My name is ____.
- I live in ____.



v. Spot the error (capitalization):

- draupadi murmu
- Draupadi Murmu

vi. Coloring activity:

- Color the boxes with proper nouns like Sachin, Diwali, Birla Mandir.

