

# Common and Proper Nouns

## 1. Collective Nouns

### Definition:

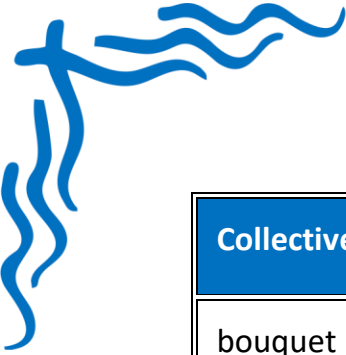
Collective nouns refer to the names of a group or collection of persons, animals, or things taken as a whole.

### Examples in Sentences:

- The watchman has a bunch of keys.
- There is a flock of sheep in the meadow.
- An army of soldiers shot down the terrorists.

### Common Collective Nouns:

Collective Noun	What it Refers To
bunch	group of keys, flowers
flock	group of birds, sheep
army	group of soldiers
class	group of students
team	group of players
choir	group of singers
herd	group of cattle
swarm	group of bees
pack	group of wolves or cards

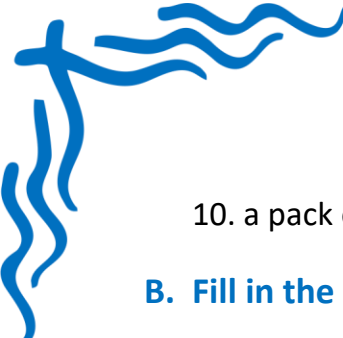


Collective Noun	What it Refers To
bouquet	group of flowers
troop	group of monkeys
library	group of books
pride	group of lions
band	group of musicians
flight	group of birds
fleet	group of ships
litter	group of puppies

### Exercises from the Book

#### A. Match the collective nouns with correct groups:

1. a tube of – toothpaste
2. a bouquet of – flowers
3. a flock of – sheep
4. a cloud of – dust
5. a loaf of – bread
6. a team of – players
7. a flight of – birds
8. a fleet of – ships
9. a pride of – lions



10. a pack of – wolves

**B. Fill in the blanks (Collective Nouns):**

1. My pet dog has a litter of puppies.
2. A pack of wolves attacked the boy.
3. A band of musicians was performing on the stage.
4. Our school has a big library of books.
5. There is a school of fish in the river.
6. A herd of cattle is grazing in the field.

**2. Abstract Nouns**

**Definition:**

Abstract nouns refer to ideas, qualities, feelings, and concepts that cannot be seen or touched.

**Examples in Sentences:**

1. Rohit is known for his honesty.
2. Samatha is famous for her beauty.
3. Greed is a curse.

These nouns reflect thoughts or qualities like bravery, wisdom, kindness, happiness, etc.

**Exercises from the Book**

**C. Fill in the blanks (Abstract Nouns):**

1. Rani Lakshmi Bai showed great bravery during the battle.
2. He values honesty in all aspects of life.
3. She shows her kindness towards the animals.
4. Madhu has immense passion for it.
5. When he won the first prize, his happiness knew no bounds.



#### **D. Key Points to Remember**

Collective Nouns = A group treated as a single unit

(e.g., team, crowd, army, bouquet)

Abstract Nouns = Qualities, feelings, ideas we cannot see or touch

(e.g., beauty, honesty, courage, anger)

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