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Nouns–Types

Learning Outcomes

- Students will understand the definition and types of nouns (proper, common, collective, abstract, and concrete).
- They will identify nouns in sentences and classify them into their types.



Lead in

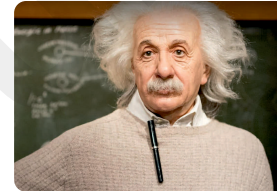
Skills/Level
WRITING/A1

Write the proper name of the thing you see in the picture.

1. A famous monument of India



2. A famous scientist of the world



- 3.



The given land form is river / mountain.

☐
☐

- 4.



It is a _____ of birds.

(a) herd ☐ / (b) flock ☐

Nouns

A **noun** refers to the name of a person, place, thing or animal.

Examples : boy, girl, river, city, town, childhood, etc.



Grammar Byte

- ◉ Anything that has a name is a **noun**.
- ◉ Nouns are naming words.
- ◉ A feeling, a thought or an idea may also be a noun.

Kinds of Nouns

Let's learn about following kinds of nouns.

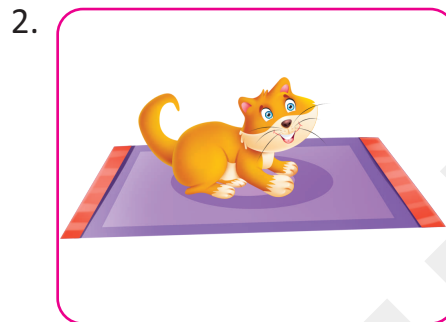
1. Common nouns
2. Proper nouns
3. Collective nouns
4. Abstract nouns
5. Material nouns

1. Common Nouns

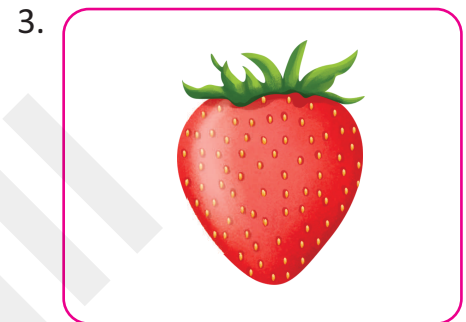
Nouns that refer to the names of people, places, things or animals of the same class or kind are called **common nouns**.



The **boys** are going to **school**.



The **cat** is playing on a **mat**.



A strawberry is a **fruit** with many **seeds**.

In the above sentences, **boys**, **school**, **cat**, **mat**, **fruit** and **seeds** are **common nouns**.



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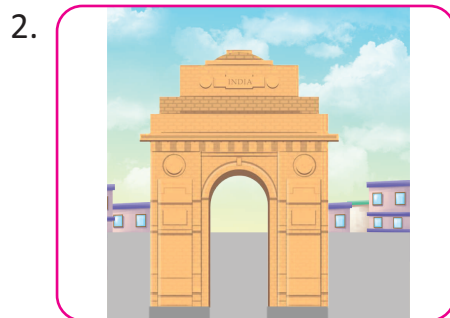
- Common nouns are the names given to different groups of living or non-living things.

2. Proper Nouns

Words that refer to the names of particular person, place, thing or animal are called **proper nouns**.



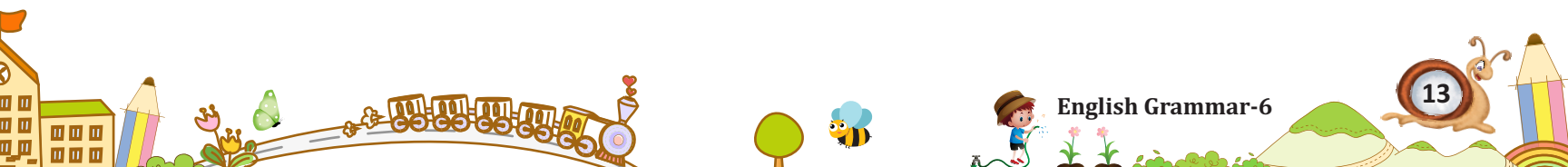
Victoria Memorial



New Delhi



Mahatma Gandhi





Examples :

1. **Victoria Memorial** is the famous monument of India.
2. **New Delhi** is the capital of India.
3. **Mahatma Gandhi** is called the father of the nation.

In the above sentences, **Victoria Memorial**, **New Delhi** and **Mahatma Gandhi** are proper nouns.

Proper nouns include the following.

- ⦿ **villages, towns, cities** : Kashipur, Subhash Nagar, New Delhi
- ⦿ **states and countries** : West Bengal, India
- ⦿ **days and months** : Tuesday, April
- ⦿ **hills and mountains** : Nilgiri, Himalayas
- ⦿ **seas, rivers and oceans** : Bay of Bengal, Ganga, Indian Ocean
- ⦿ **newspaper** : Times of India, Hindustan Times
- ⦿ **festivals** : Diwali, Holi, Eid, X-mas
- ⦿ **cartoon characters** : Bugs Bunny, Popeye
- ⦿ **religious books** : Gita, Quran, Bible
- ⦿ **school name** : Teresa Public School, S.R. Model School
- ⦿ **poets and authors** : R.N. Tagore, Ruskin Bond



Grammar Byte

- ⦿ *Proper noun is the name of one person, thing, animal or place.*
- ⦿ *A proper noun always begins with a capital letter.*

A. Underline the common nouns and circle the proper nouns.

1. Paris is the capital of France.
2. This is my dog Bruno.
3. Manish Malhotra is a famous designer.
4. Shah Jahan built the famous monument Taj Mahal.
5. R.N. Tagore was a great poet.
6. Shreya is a good singer.
7. Rahul, Raj, Minu and Kunu are friends.
8. Diego Maradona was a great footballer.
9. January is the first month of the year.
10. Ashoka was a great Mauryan emperor.



Skills/Level
READING & WRITING/A2



B. Read the passage based on Virat Kohli. Underline the common nouns and circle the proper nouns.



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Virat Kohli is a famous Indian cricketer. He is widely considered to be one of the greatest batsmen of all time. He is a prolific run-scorer in all formats of the game. He has captained India to victory in numerous tournaments.

Kohli was born in Delhi, India in 1988. Virat Kohli's father was Prem Kohli. He was a professional criminal lawyer. Prem Kohli passed away at the age of 54. At the time of his father's demise, Virat was playing a Ranji Trophy match for Delhi against Karnataka. In Virat Kohli's success, his mother Saroj Kohli has a vital contribution. Virat has an elder brother named Vikas and an elder sister Bhawna. Virat is married to renowned Bollywood actress Anushka Sharma. They have a baby girl named Vamika.



He started playing cricket at a young age, and he quickly made a name for himself as a talented batsman. Kohli's love for cricket started at a young age when he joined the West Delhi Cricket Academy at the age of nine. He quickly rose through the ranks, impressing coaches and teammates with his natural talent and dedication. Kohli's first-class debut came at the age of 19 for Delhi in 2006. He impressed immediately, scoring a half-century on debut and showcasing his impressive strokeplay. His consistent performances earned him a spot in the Indian Under-19 team for the 2008 World Cup, where he emerged as one of the tournament's top performers. Kohli's international debut came in 2008, making his ODI debut against Sri Lanka in August and his T20 debut against West Indies in December. Virat Kohli is a role model for the youth of India.

3. Collective Nouns

Nouns that refer to the names that are given to **groups** of people, places, things or animals are called **collective nouns**.

Examples :

1. a **bunch** of grapes.



2. a **school** of fish.



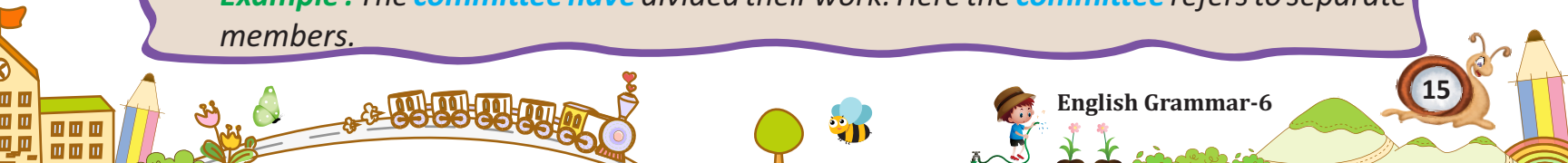
Grammar Byte

- Collective nouns are generally used as singular. So, they take a singular verb.

Example : A **herd** of cattle **was** grazing in the field.

- Sometimes collective nouns can also take plural verbs.

Example : The **committee have** divided their work. Here the **committee** refers to separate members.





Spot the Error

◉ *My birthday falls on 5th february.*

◉ *Hindus celebrate diwali.*

◉ *Sarmistha bought a samsung mobile.*

C. Tick (✓) the correct collective nouns.



Skills/Level
WRITING/A1



1. A _____ of wolves was spotted roaming the forest at dusk.

(a) herd ☐

(b) class ☐

(c) park ☐

2. A _____ of musicians played a lively tune at the concert.

(a) bouquet ☐

(b) band ☐

(c) school ☐

3. A/An _____ of soldiers marched in formation.

(a) swarm ☐

(b) pack ☐

(c) army ☐

4. The _____ of ships anchored at the harbour is visible from the coast.

(a) fleet ☐

(b) team ☐

(c) class ☐

5. He led the _____ to a victory.

(a) herd ☐

(b) pack ☐

(c) team ☐

D. Match the collective nouns to the nouns they go with.

Column A

1. swarm

2. bunch

3. library

4. flock

5. herd

Column B

(i) cattle

(ii) sheep

(iii) bees

(iv) books

(v) keys



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E. Complete each phrase with a suitable collective noun.

1. a _____ of stars

2. a _____ of shoes

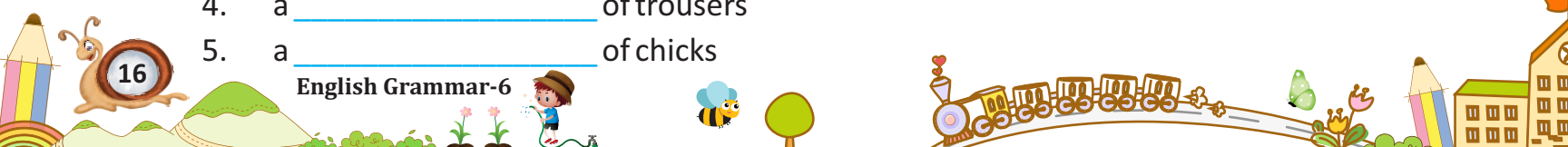
3. a _____ of paintings

4. a _____ of trousers

5. a _____ of chicks



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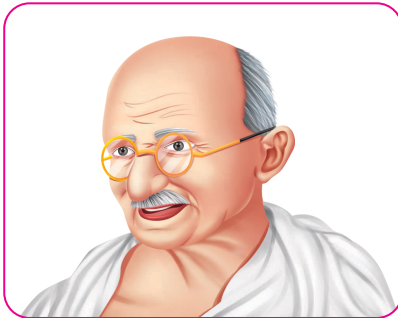
4. Abstract Nouns

Nouns that refer to qualities, ideas, feelings, states of being, etc. are called abstract nouns. Abstract nouns cannot be seen, touched, heard, smelt or tasted.

Examples : beautiful – beauty
intelligent – intelligence
wise – wisdom

Now look at the pictures and read the following sentences.

1.



2.



3.



1. Mahatma Gandhi believed in **truth** and **non-violence**.
2. The Indian soldiers showed their **bravery** and **courage**.
3. Birbal was famous for his **wisdom**.

In the above sentences, the words **truth**, **non-violence**, **bravery**, **courage** and **wisdom** are abstract nouns.

F. Fill in the blanks with suitable abstract nouns given in the box.



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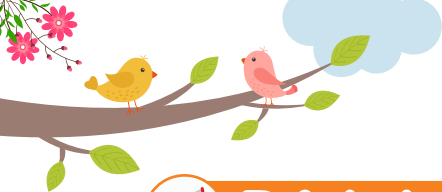
1. _____ is the best period of our life.
2. Krishna and Sudama's _____ is admirable.
3. Most people in villages live in _____.
4. Swami Vivekananda was well known for his _____ and _____.
5. The woodcutter's _____ pleased God.

poverty, friendship, childhood, honesty, wisdom, knowledge

G. Find out as many abstract nouns as possible from this crossword puzzle and circle them.

V	C	X	F	Z	W	P	Z	C	W
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Points to Remember

- A **noun** refers to the name of a person, place, thing or animal.
- Nouns that refer to the names of people, places, things or animals of the same class or kind are called **common nouns**.
- Words that refer to the names of particular person, place, thing or animal are called **proper nouns**.
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My Activity Corner



Skills/Level
WRITING/A2



Work in pair. Think of a proper noun for each common noun given below.

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|--------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|
| 1. a city | _____ | 6. a mountain | _____ |
| 2. a country | _____ | 7. a waterfall | _____ |
| 3. a singer | _____ | 8. a hill station | _____ |
| 4. a sports person | _____ | 9. a chocolate | _____ |
| 5. an actor | _____ | 10. a T.V. set | _____ |



My EeeBee Interactive Activities



Listening



Speaking



Reading



Writing



Grammar



Vocabulary

WRITE YOUR SCORE

Practice your LSRW Skills



on Communication Lab

