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# Recognizing Proper Nouns



A common noun is a person, place or thing. A common noun does not need to be capitalized. A proper noun is a specific person, place or thing. A proper noun always begins with a capital letter.

**DIRECTIONS:** Circle the proper nouns in each sentence. Underline the common nouns.

1. When John arrived he was wet from the rain.
2. Hurricane Isabel caused a great deal of flooding.
3. A good pair of shoes is expensive, but I think Sketchers are worth it.
4. She has a lot of equipment because she plans to climb Mount Everest.
5. I was impressed; after Black Beauty bucked her off, she got right back onto that horse.
6. We waited all day, but my sister Martha never called.
7. If you go out early enough in the morning, the streetlights are still on in San Francisco.
8. The man who lifted that barbell looks like Arnold Schwarzenegger.
9. We asked for directions but we couldn't find the Chrysler Building.
10. Our driver Mr. Nelson navigated the traffic well.
11. Our favorite restaurant is Olive Garden.
12. I think that woman looks like Greta Garbo.
13. The pigeon sat on the windowsill twenty stories above Park Avenue.