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Noun :- A noun is a fundamental part of speech that refers to a person, place, thing or idea. Think of nouns as the 'naming words' in a language.

### ① What is a Noun?

→ A noun is a word that names a person, place, thing or idea. It is one of the fundamental parts of speech in English language & serves as the subject or object in a sentence.

### II. The Main Categories of Nouns:

Noun can be classified into several major categories.

#### 1. Common Nouns vs. Proper Nouns

Common Noun: A general name for a person, place, thing, or idea. They are not capitalized unless they begin a sentence.

Examples - City, teacher, dog, happiness

② Proper Noun: The specific name of a particular person, place, organization, or thing. They are always capitalized.

Examples - London, Google, Monday.

#### 2. Concrete Noun vs Abstract Nouns

① Concrete noun:- Names something you can perceive with your five senses (see, hear, touch, taste, smell)

Examples - apple, thunder, velvet, perfume.

② Abstract Noun:- Names an idea, quality, state or concept that cannot be perceived by the senses.

Examples - love, freedom, wisdom, anger.



### 3. Countable Nouns vs. Uncountable (Mass) Nouns

Countable Noun: Refers to things that can be counted. They have both singular and plural.

Examples - i) book/books, iii) idea/ideas.  
ii) child/children,

■ Uncountable Noun: Refers to things that are seen as a mass or whole and cannot be easily counted. They usually do not have a plural form.

Examples - water, rice, information, advice.

4. Collective Nouns: Names a group of people, animals or things treated as single unit.

Examples - team, family, flock (of birds) pack (of ...)

5. Compound Nouns: A noun made up of two or more words that function as a single noun. They can be written as one word.

Examples - toothpaste, law, pool, ice-cream.

■ What is a pronoun?

A pronoun is a word that takes the place of a noun (a person, place, thing or idea) in a sentence. Its primary function is to avoid repetition and make language more efficient.

Example:

Palak said that she would bring her book to her friend's house.

Types of pronouns

1. Personal pronouns: Refer to specific people.

2. Reflexive pronouns: Refer back to the subject of the sentence.

Ex - she taught herself how to code.



Intensive pronouns :- Have the same form as reflexive pronouns but are used to add emphasis to a noun or pronoun.

Ex - The CEO herself announced the news.

4. Demonstrative pronouns :- point to and identify a noun or a pronoun. The distance determines the choice.

Ex - Near - this, these  
Far - that, those.

5. Interrogative pronouns used to ask questions.

who/whom - refers to people (who is there?)  
what refers to things or ideas (what is that?)

6. Relative pronoun :- Introduce a relative clauses.

Ex - The person who called was my boss.

7. Indefinite pronouns :- Refer to non-specific people or things.

8. Reciprocal pronoun :- used when two or more subjects are performing the same action toward each other.

Ex - The two friends help each other.  
The team members trust one another.