## **NOUN**



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## **UNDERSTAND NOUNS**

A noun is a word used as the name of a person, place, or thing.

Look at the following sentence:

Asoka was a wise king.

The noun Asoka refers to a particular king but the noun king might be applied to any other king as well as to Asoka.

We call Asoka a Proper Noun and, king a Common Noun.







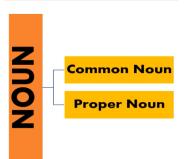








## **UNDERSTAND NOUNS**



A Common noun is a name given in common to every person or thing of the same class or kind. Common here means shared by all. Example – Girl, boy, city, country

A **Proper Noun** is the name of some particular person or place. Proper means one's own. Example – Sita, Hari, Kolkata, India

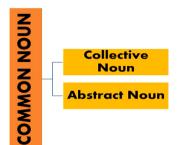
Note: Proper nouns are always written with a capital letter at the beginning.

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## **UNDERSTAND NOUNS**



Common nouns include Collective Nouns and Abstract Nouns.

A Collective noun is the name of a number (or collection) of persons taken together and spoken of as one whole E.g., Crowd, mob, team, flock, herd, army, fleet, jury, family

A fleet = a collection of vessels or ships An army = a collection of soldiers A crowd = a collection of people

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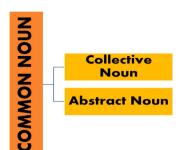


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## **UNDERSTAND NOUNS**



Common nouns include Collective Nouns and Abstract Nouns.

An Abstract noun is usually the name of a quality, action or state considered apart from the object to which it belongs

Quality – goodness, kindness, brightness Action – laughter, theft, movement, hatred State – childhood, slavery, sleep, poverty

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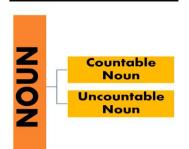








## **UNDERSTAND NOUNS**



Another classification of nouns is whether they are 'countable' or 'uncountable.'

Countable nouns are the names of objects, people etc. that we can count e.g., book, pen, apple, sister, doctor, horse

Uncountable nouns are the names of things that we cannot count e.g., milk, oil, sugar, gold, honesty. They mainly denote substances and abstract things.









## **NOUNS: THE NUMBER**









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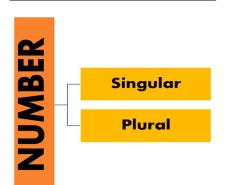








## **UNDERSTAND NOUNS**



A noun that denotes one person or thing is said to be in the **Singular Number**; as boy, girl, cow, tree, book, pen

A noun that denotes more than one person or thing is said to be in the **Plural Number**; as, boys, girls, cows, trees, books

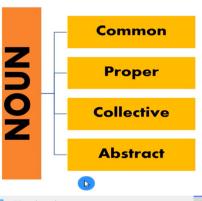
Verb with Singular Numbers: is, was, has Verb with Plural Numbers: are, were, have

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## EXERCISE: NOUNS



Identify the nouns in the sentences and state their kind also.

- 1. The train stopped at the station.
- 2. A pack of cards is kept on the table.
- 3. The elephant has great strength.
- 4. The Ganga is a holy river.
- 5. The Taj Mahal is a beautiful monument.

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