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## Common and Proper Nouns

A **common noun** names a general person, place or thing.

example: I went to the park.  
the garden bed.

A **proper noun** names a specific person, place, or thing. Always  
include the first letter of a proper noun.

example: I went to Washington.  
St. Louis was built.  
My new paper, news, is fantastic.

Directions: Underline the common nouns with a blue crayon.  
Underline the proper nouns with a red crayon.

1. The house is on Main Street. (common, proper)
2. Janet played with her sister. (common, proper)
3. They went to Friendly's Pet Shop. (proper)
4. The car stopped quickly. (common)
5. Morgan Boulevard is a busy street. (proper, common)
6. Michael and his friend chased the letter. (proper, common)
7. Did you see Kevin at the party? (proper, common)
8. Laura looked at the stars through her telescope. (proper, common)
9. There were no yellow mailboxes in the box. (common)