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COMMON and PROPER NOUNS

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

Examples: I went to the city.
The man was kind.

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

examples: I went to San Francisco.
Mr. Brown was kind.

Directions: Underline the common nouns and circle the proper nouns.

- 1) The house is on Main Street. (1 common, 1 proper)
- 2) Karen played with her sister. (1 common, 1 proper)
- 3) Fran went to Friendly's Pet Shop. (2 proper)
- 4) The car stopped quickly. (1 common)
- 5) Morgan Boulevard is a busy street. (1 proper, 1 common)
- 6) Michael and his friend chased the kitten. (1 proper, 2 common)
- 7) Did you see Kevin at the party? (1 proper, 1 common)
- 8) Laura looked at the stars through her telescope. (1 proper, 2 common)
- 9) There were no yellow markers in the box. (2 common)
- 10) Have you ever eaten a cheeseburger at Burger Planet? (1 common, 1 proper)
- 11) A young boy found a dollar on the sidewalk. (3 common)
- 12) Mary sat by the fire and roasted a marshmallow. (1 proper, 2 common)

Directions: Write the word "common" next to each common noun. Re-write each proper noun correctly.

13. alice smith _____
14. carpenter _____
15. dog _____
16. max _____
17. book _____
18. bowmanville library _____
19. jupiter _____
20. planet _____