

# Common & Proper Nouns

## 1. What are nouns?

Nouns are a person, place, thing, or animal.

## 2. What is a common noun?

A common noun is a **person, place, thing, or animal** that is **not** specified.

Eg. **The boy went to the shop.**

*Boy* is a common noun because:

- It is not specified
- It is not capitalized
- It is not a name

*Shop* is a common noun because:

- It is not specified
- It is not capitalized
- It is not a name

Let's look at a few more examples of common nouns:

- **Parks** are a fun **place** to play in.
- Where is my **sister**?
- Let's go to the **library**.
- Bring my **book** from my **room**.

## 3. What is a proper noun?

A proper noun is a **person, place, thing, or animal** that **is** specified. It is always **capitalized**.

Eg. **Sam went to Walmart.**

*Sam* is a proper noun because:

- It is specified
- It is capitalized
- It is a name of a person

*Walmart* is also a proper noun because:

- It is specified

- It is capitalized
- It is a name of a place

Let's look at a few more examples of proper nouns:

- I want to go to **Loafer's Park!**
- Where is **Lily?**
- **Thursday** is my favourite day.
- I was born in **March.**