

A **noun** is a person (girl), place(airport) or thing(book)

Draw a line under each noun.

- 1. Joey shined his shoes before going to school.
- 2. Math is my favourite subject.
- 3. Bertha and June scrubbed the floors and washed the windows.
- 4. Grandpa parked his car in our neighbour's driveway.
- 5. Ellen brushes her long hair every night.
- 6. My father works for the city.
- 7. Neither Barbara nor Tony plays the piano very well.

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A **common noun** is a word that names <u>any</u> person, place or thing. Words such as river, country, and girl are called common nouns. Common nouns <u>do not</u> begin with a capital letter.

A **proper noun** is a word that names a <u>special</u> person, place or thing. Words such as <u>Gatineau</u> <u>River (notice the two words are part of one proper noun)</u>, <u>Canada and Mary are called proper nouns</u>. <u>Each</u> word in proper nouns <u>begin</u> with a capital letter.

Common and Proper nouns

<u>Underline</u> each common noun. Draw a circle around each proper noun.

- 1. People in the countries of Denmark and Sweden enjoy badminton.
- 2. In Quebec there are many lakes.
- 3. The river that lies between Aylmer and Ottawa is called the Ottawa River
- 4. Many children travelled to visit Montreal or Toronto during their vacation.
- 5 Ms. Chaudhary took many photographs of the Great Blue Heron.
- 6 George grew carrots and tomatoes in his garden.
- 7. Mr. Perronate his yoghurt while reading the Ottawa Citizen newspaper.
- 8. The tennis played at Wimbledon this year, was fantastic.