

Nouns-a person, place, thing, or idea

Common Nouns- a nonspecific person, place, thing, or idea (Common nouns are not capitalized.)

Proper Nouns-a specific person, place, thing, or idea (Proper Nouns are capitalized.)

Common Noun	Proper Noun
girl	Kate
city	Chicago
restaurant	Burger King

Directions: Underline the common nouns once and the proper nouns twice.

Asha

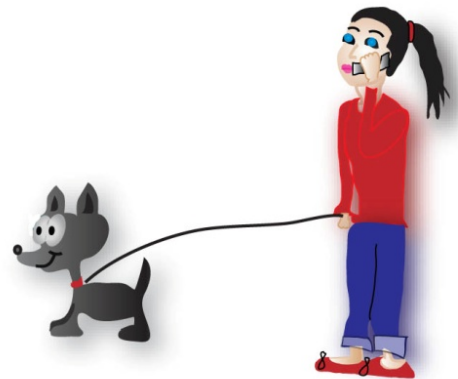
1. Asha is an 11th student at Grammar High School.
2. She is an A student, who also runs track.
3. Asha has two best friends named Eric and Kelly.
4. Asha has been friends with Eric since kindergarten.
5. Asha is a fun-loving person, but she is serious about her grades.

Eric

1. Eric is a B student.
2. He is skinny, but he is always eating.
3. He eats a Big Mac almost every day.
4. He loves to play practical jokes.
5. He also loves his skateboard.

Kelly

1. Kelly is a C student.
2. She is very social, and she talks on the phone a lot.
3. She has an adorable dog named Scruffy.
4. Though Kelly now lives North Carolina, she was actually born in Hawaii.
5. Kelly thinks that happiness is more important than grades.



Scruffy

1. Scruffy is loveable and kind.
2. Kelly got him from a shelter when she was living in Maui.
3. Scruffy is a mutt who loves children and kittens.
4. Scruffy sleeps at the foot of Kelly's bed every night.
5. He greets her with a wagging tail when she returns home from school.

Answer Key-
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Asha

1. common nouns: student; proper nouns: Asha, Grammar High School
2. common nouns: student, track; proper nouns: none
3. common nouns: friends; proper nouns: Eric, Kelly
4. common nouns: friends, kindergarten; proper nouns: Asha, Eric
5. common nouns: person, grades; proper nouns: Asha

Eric

1. common nouns: student; proper nouns: Eric
2. common nouns: none; proper nouns: none
3. common nouns: day; proper nouns: Big Mac
4. common nouns: jokes; proper nouns: none
5. common nouns: skateboard

Kelly

1. common nouns: student; proper nouns: Kelly
2. common nouns: phone; proper nouns: none
3. common nouns: dog; proper nouns: Scruffy
4. common nouns: none; proper nouns: Kelly, North Carolina, Hawaii
5. common nouns: happiness, grades; proper nouns: Kelly

Scruffy

1. common nouns: none; proper nouns: Scruffy
2. common nouns: shelter; proper nouns: Kelly, Maui
3. common nouns: mutt, children, kittens; proper nouns: Scruffy
4. common nouns: foot, bed, night; proper nouns: Scruffy
5. common nouns: tail, home, school; proper nouns: none