

Grammar



Nouns

A **noun** is the name of a person, place, thing, or an idea. There are two kinds of nouns: common and proper.

A noun that does not name a specific person, place, thing, or idea is called a **common noun**. Common nouns begin with a lowercase letter, unless at the beginning of a sentence. A noun that names the specific name of a person, place, thing, or idea is called a proper noun. Proper nouns always begin with a capital letter.

Common Nouns	Proper Nouns
My friend rode a bike today.	Michael rode a bike today
His dog went with him.	Sparky went with him.
He rode past the school .	He rode past Elm Street School .
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Nouns – Abstract

Abstract nouns are ideas, beliefs, concepts, qualities, or feelings. We cannot see, touch, taste, smell, or hear abstract nouns.

Love is an abstract noun.

Love is a feeling.

Kindness is an abstract noun.

Kindness is a human quality or characteristic.



Nouns – Singular and Plural

A **singular noun** names one person, place, thing, or idea. A plural noun is a name for more than one person, place, thing, or idea.

book – books

animal – animals

tooth – teeth

A **regular plural noun** is made plural by adding -s.

animal – animals

bike – bikes

pizza – pizzas

An **irregular plural noun** is not made plural by adding an -s. Instead, the plural is a change in spelling.

Some singular nouns change their spelling in a different way when changing from the singular to the plural form.



mouse – mice



Some singular nouns change their vowels in the middle when forming the plural.

foot – feet

man – men

Some nouns form the plural by adding -en.

child – children

ox – oxen

Some nouns have the same singular and plural form.

deer – deer

sheep – sheep

Possessive Nouns

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