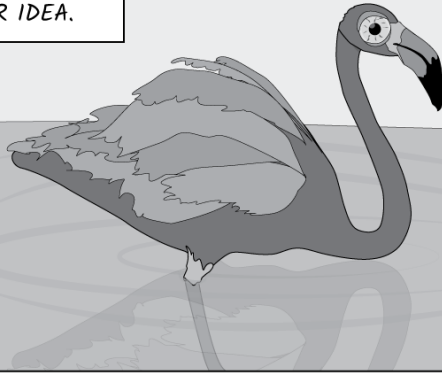


WHAT IS A NOUN?

A **NOUN** IS A WORD THAT NAMES A PERSON, PLACE, THING, OR IDEA.

THE **FLAMINGO** GLARED AT **DOMINIC** FROM THE **WATER** OF **SARASOTA BAY**. HE COULDN'T DECIDE IF THE **BIRD** INSPIRED MORE **EXCITEMENT** OR **FEAR** IN HIM.



WRITE YOUR OWN EXAMPLES

PERSON:

PLACE:

THING:

IDEA:

FLAMINGO, WATER, AND BIRD ARE THINGS,

AND SARASOTA BAY IS A PLACE.



DOMINIC IS A PERSON.

EXCITEMENT AND FEAR ARE IDEAS.



NOUNS CAN BE COMMON OR PROPER!



WHAT IS A COMMON NOUN?

PERSON

firefighter



PLACE

outer space



A **COMMON NOUN** IS THE **GENERAL** — NOT **SPECIFIC** — NAME OF A PERSON, PLACE, THING, OR IDEA. **COMMON NOUNS** ARE USUALLY NOT CAPITALIZED.

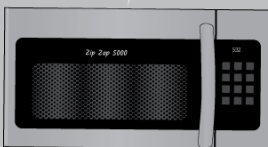
WRITE YOUR OWN EXAMPLES OF COMMON NOUNS

PERSON:

PLACE:

THING:

IDEA:



microwave

THING

confusion

IDEA

SASQUATCH DOESN'T UNDERSTAND!



WHAT IS A PROPER NOUN?


PERSON

WHEN A KINSHIP NAME — LIKE AUNT — PRECEDES A NAME, IT'S CAPITALIZED.

Aunt April

IT'S ALSO CAPITALIZED IF IT'S USED INSTEAD OF A NAME.

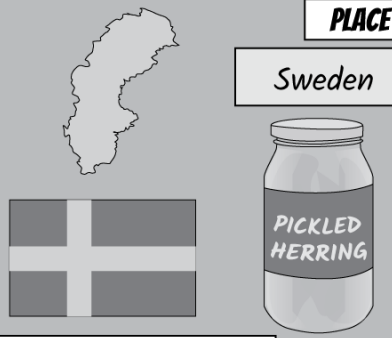
FOR EXAMPLE, "Hi, Grandpa!"



PLACE

Sweden

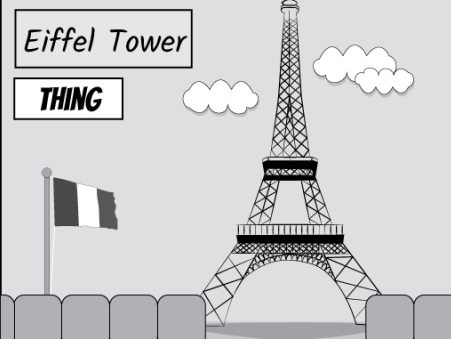
PICKLED HERRING



A PROPER NOUN IS THE NAME OF A PARTICULAR PERSON, PLACE, THING, OR IDEA. PROPER NOUNS ARE CAPITALIZED.

Eiffel Tower


THING



Buddhism

IDEA

ACROSS THE WORLD, ABOUT 10% OF PEOPLE PRACTICE BUDDHISM.



WRITE YOUR OWN EXAMPLES OF PROPER NOUNS

PERSON:

PLACE:

THING:

IDEA:

MORE COMMON NOUNS

Person – mother, adult, brother

Place – backyard, city, bedroom

Thing – airplane, oven mitts, stockings

Idea – economics, elation, sadness

MORE PROPER NOUNS

Person – Cardi B, Zac Efron, Grandpa Dave

Place – Lake Michigan, Grand Cayman, San Francisco

Thing – Mount Rushmore, Christmas, The Avengers

Idea – Impressionism, Age of Enlightenment, Judaism