ENG1113 ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

TOPIC 4:
Noun

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Oh Allah, increase me in knowledge and understanding

Understanding Noun

- Definition of noun
- Types of nouns

Learning outcomes

1. Students will be able to define what a noun is.
2. Students will be able to differentiate between the various types of nouns.
3. Students will be able to use different types of nouns correctly in sentences.

What is Noun

A noun is a word that names a **person**, **place**, **thing**, or **idea**.
Almost every sentence will definitely have a noun, and they perform different roles in a sentence.

Examples:

- Person/Animal: doctor, Maria, cat
- Place: school, London
- Thing: book, pencil
- Idea: freedom, love, friendship

Person

- David
- Emily
- Teacher
- Student
- Mother
- Father
- Grand Father

Place

- Asia
- Europe
- America
- India
- Pacific Ocean
- Hospital
- School

Things

- Mobile
- Books
- Pencil
- Desk
- Car
- Television
- Shoes

Idea

- Honesty
- Friendship
- Freedom
- Loyalty
- Anger
- Wisdom,
- Memory

Why are nouns important?

1. Nouns help us identify and talk about everything around us.

2. They are essential for forming complete sentences.

3. Without nouns, we wouldn't know who, what or where a sentence is about.

Types of Nouns

1. Common Nouns
2. Proper Nouns
3. Concrete Nouns
4. Abstract Nouns
5. Collective Nouns
6. Countable & Uncountable Nouns

1. Common Nouns

1 **Definition:**
Names general people, places, or things.

2 **Examples:**
girl, country, car, dog

3 **Examples in sentence:**
The **car** is out of **fuel**.
I am going to **school**.

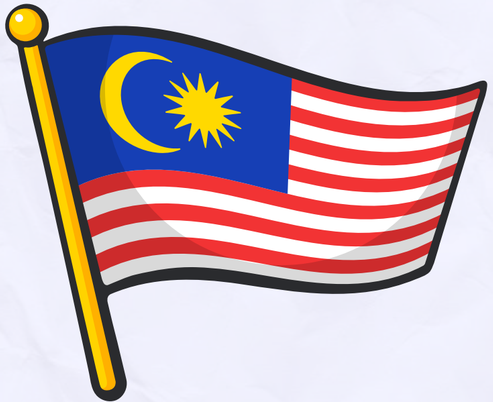
4 **Note:**
Not capitalized unless at the start of a sentence.

2. Proper Nouns

1 **Definition:**
Names a specific person, place, or thing.

2 **Examples:**
Sarah, Malaysia, Toyota, Eiffel Tower

3 **Examples in sentence:**
My name is **Rose**.
Levis is a famous brand of men's clothing.



4 **Note:**
Always capitalized.

Common Noun VS Proper Noun

Common Nouns	Proper Nouns
man	Victor Hugo, Walt Disney
mountain	Mount Kilimanjaro
ocean	Atlantic Ocean, Indian Ocean
state	Minnesota, California
country	United States, Australia
building	Empire State Building
cat	Buttons, Fluffy
website	English Grammar Revolution

www.English-Grammar-Revolution.com

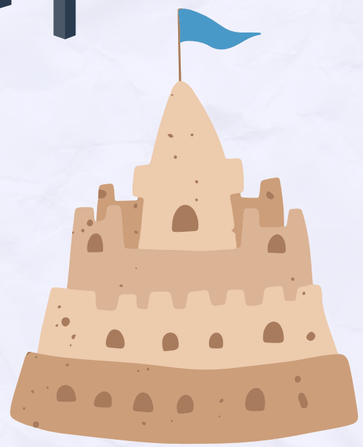
3. Concrete Nouns

1 **Definition:**
Names things that can be seen, touched, heard, smelled, or tasted.

2 **Examples:**
apple, cat, guitar, perfume

3 **Examples in sentence:**
The **book** is on the **table**.
Hardy goes to school by **bus**.

4 **Note:**
You can experience it with your senses.
It is something physical and tangible.



4. Abstract Nouns

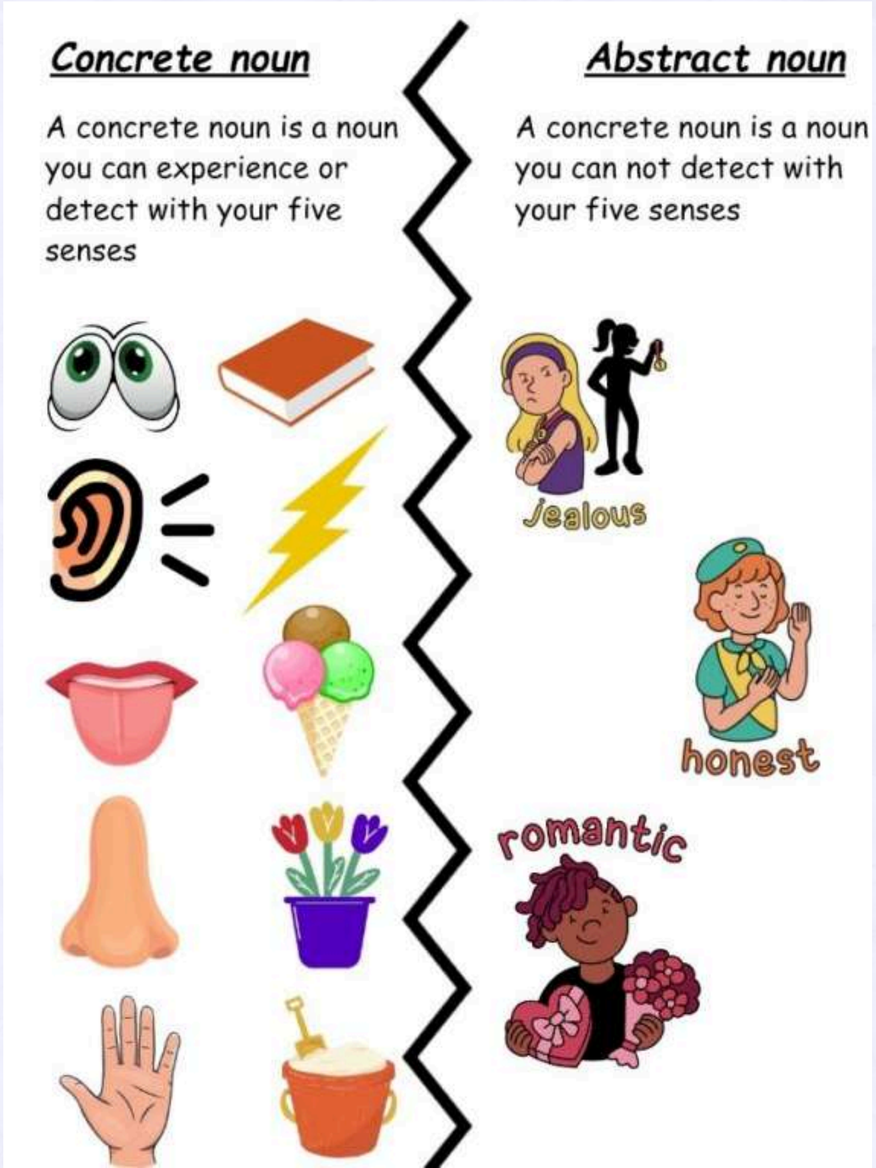
1 **Definition:**
Abstract nouns are intangible ideas, emotions, or qualities.

2 **Examples:**
love, sadness, bravery , truth

3 **Examples in sentence:**
John expressed his **opinion**.
Happiness is the greatest gift of all.

4 **Note:**
You cannot experience it with your senses.
Can feel emotions emotionally, but can’t see or touch them.

Concrete Noun VS Abstract Noun



5. Collective Nouns

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Definition:
Collective nouns refer to a group of people, animals, or things treated as a single entity.

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Examples:
team, bunch, family, flock

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Examples in sentence:
The **team** plays in the main gym.
The **board** is in disagreement about appointing a successor.

4

Note:
Though they refer to many, collective nouns are often singular in form.

Example Collective Noun

Animals	People	Things
A **murder** of crows	A **crew** of sailors	A **library** of books
A **parliament** of owls	An **assembly** of politicians	A **set** of keys
A **pride** of lions	A **band** of musicians	A **fleet** of ships
A **school** of fish	A **troupe** of actors	A **gallery** of paintings
A **troop** of kangaroos	A **team** of athletes	A **suite** of furniture
A **herd** of elephants	A **cast** of characters	A **stack** of papers
A **pod** of whales	A **squad** of soldiers	A **collection** of coins
A **pack** of wolves	A **panel** of judges	A **cluster** of grapes
A **colony** of penguins	A **staff** of employees	A **string** of pearls
A **swarm** of bees	A **gang** of thieves	A **bunch** of bananas
A **gaggle** of geese	A **clique** of friends	A **batch** of cookies
A **flight** of birds	A **crowd** of onlookers	A **range** of mountains
A **crash** of rhinos	A **class** of students	A **field** of flowers
A **mob** of kangaroos	A **faculty** of teachers	A **deck** of cards
A **clowder** of cats	A **horde** of tourists	A **bazaar** of goods
A **exaltation** of larks	A **guild** of craftsmen	A **bundle** of sticks
A **covey** of quails	A **tribe** of natives	A **heap** of rubble
A **knot** of toads		A **roll** of film

6. Countable & Uncountable Nouns

A. Countable Nouns

1

Definition:
These nouns refer to things that can be counted individually. It can be singular and plural forms.

2

Examples:
one book, two chairs , a table, an apple

3

Examples in sentence:
There's **a man** at the door.
She has **three** dogs.

4

Note:
Use with: Words like "a," "an," or numbers.
Pluralization: Add "-s" or "-es" to form the plural.

6. Countable & Uncountable Nouns

B. Uncountable Nouns

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Definition:
Things that we cannot count with numbers. No plural form.

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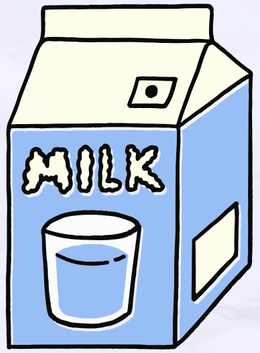
Examples:
some advice, few salt, a lot of rice, spoonful of sugar



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Examples in sentence:
I prefer to put **some milk**.
There is too **much suga**r in this coffee.

4

Note:
Use with: Words like some, much, a little, a lot of, a bit of.
Cannot use numbers directly.

Countable Noun VS Uncountable Noun

Countable Nouns

- apple
- cat
- restaurant
- book
- table
- candle
- dog
- monkey
- student
- chair

Uncountable Nouns

- water
- cheese
- milk
- bread
- rubbish
- research
- soil
- cotton
- time
- sand

Task

1. Read each sentence and underline the noun(s). Then label the type of noun (common, proper, abstract, concrete, collective, countable, or uncountable).

A. The team won the championship.
B. Emily loves reading books.
C. We need some information about the project.
D. Happiness is important in life.
E. The cat jumped onto the sofa.
F. I bought a bottle of water.

Example: A. Team = Collective noun

Thank you