Common and Proper Nouns

RULES

A **common noun** names any person, place, or thing.

My **brother** went to the **park** last month.

A **proper noun** names a particular person, place, or thing.

John went to **Oceanside Park** last

Notice that a proper noun always begins with a capital letter. If a proper noun has more than one word, each important word begins with a capital letter.

	Common Nouns	Proper Nouns
Person	brother	John
Place	park	Oceanside Park
Thing	day	Sunday
	holiday	Thanksgiving

Guided Practice

Find the nouns in each sentence. Put an X next to each is a common noun and a 'T' to the proper noun.

EXAMPLE: Ruby and Tom are neighbors.

Ruby, Tom: proper; neighbors: common

1. Bakersville just passed a new law.
2. Students will attend school in June, July, and August.
3. Two friends wrote a letter to the Prime Minister.
4. Ruby Gomez called the mayor on the phone.
5. Tom Peters went to a meeting at Reed High School.
6. The Tenth of July is a holiday.
7. The school is on Parker Road.
8. The city is hot in the summer.

	Bakersville		law
	students		June
	July		August
	friends		Prime Minister
	Ruby Gomez		mayor
	phone		Tom Peters
	Reed High School		July
	holiday		school
	Parker Road		city

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9. National Heros Day falls in the month of October.

10. Some parents spoke Spanish.

11. There will be a rally next Tuesday.

12. People will go to the House of Assembly with signs.

13. Ruby and Tom made posters.

14. The rally falls on Majority Rule Day.

15. The citizens spoke with the Governor-General.

	summer		National Heros Day
	October		Spanish
	parents		rally
	Tuesday		people
	House of Assembly		Ruby
	Tom		posters
	rally		Majority Rule Day
	citizens		Governer-General

B. Write each sentence correctly. Capitalize the proper nouns. write the common nouns.

16. terrence and lameca wrote a speech.

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17. Students and parents gathered in washington park.

_____ _____ _____

18. Some teachers took a bus to the park.

_____ _____ _____

19. A reporter wrote an article for the bakersville times.

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20. Mayor chen thought more about the law.

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