

Grammar Class

Topic: Concrete nouns and abstract nouns

1. A concrete noun names a person, place, or thing that can be perceived by one or more of the senses (sight, hearing, taste, touch, and smell).
2. An abstract noun names an idea, a feeling, a quality, or a characteristic.

Examples:

Concrete nouns	Telephone, teacher, popcorn, ocean, bridge, Jesse Jackson
Abstract nouns	Knowledge, patriotism, love, humor, self-confidence, beauty, competition.

Collective nouns

A collective noun is a word that names a group.

Examples:

People	Animals	Things
Audience	Pack	Cluster
Chorus	Litter	Collection
Committee	Brood	Fleet
Crew	Flock	Set
Faculty	Herd	Batch
Family	Pride	Bundle

Worksheet

Practice time

Instructions: identify the nouns in each of the following sentences. Classify each noun as common or proper and as a concrete or abstract. Also tell whether a noun is a collective. Look at the example:

- I went with a group of students to see the monument that commemorates Abraham Lincoln.

Common: group, students, monument

Concrete: group, students, monument, Abraham Lincoln

Collective: group

Proper: Abraham Lincoln

1. Tom had birthday party on Friday.
2. The St. Louis zoo has an elephant named roger.
3. It is a very hot in Africa during the month of June.
4. My family enjoyed our trip to Yellowstone national park.
5. Thanksgiving and Christmas are my favorite holidays.

6. Lisa has a pet cat named tabby.

7. A teacher is teaching the class in school.

8. There is a bridge over the street.

9. Cows and goats give us milk.

10. Ronnie has loyalty to only one football team.