

Focus Skills: Common + Proper Nouns/Capitalization + Review

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Week 2: Day One

Common nouns naming people, places, and things are not capitalized.
Proper nouns naming specific people, places, and things are capitalized.

Common Nouns	Proper Nouns
cereal	Cheerios
car	Ford
state	Ohio
business	Sears
park	Dawson Park
school	Washington Elementary School
month	October

Decide if the nouns below are proper nouns or common nouns.

Write each noun in the correct box. Add capital letters if they are needed.

Ex: Skittles girl candy Lisa

cookie wendy's crocs oreo california toothpaste

chevy state crest restaurant shoes automobile

Common Nouns

**girl
candy**

Proper Nouns

**Lisa
Skittles**

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	Common Nouns (Do not capitalize.)	Proper Nouns (Capitalize each important word.)
Buildings	bank, hotel, school, church, library	First Bank, Hotel Monaco, Triad School, Faith Church, Penfield Public Library
Businesses	grocery store, tool store, gas station, restaurant, hair salon, mall	Pixley's Market, Home Depot, Conoco, Red Robin, Great Clips, Shoppingtown Mall
Parks and Special Places	park, trail, national park, amusement park, beach	Akron Falls Park, Pacific Crest Trail, Grand Canyon, Magic Kingdom, Coronado Beach
Landforms and Bodies of Water	mountain, valley, plain, river, ocean, lake	Mount St. Helens, Hudson Valley, Atlantic Coastal Plain, Snake River, Indian Ocean, Lake Superior

If the words name a **specific building**, write it correctly above the name.

1. morgan library town hall warehouse omni banks motel

If the words name a **specific business**, write it correctly above the name.

2. pep boys drugstore market city bakery wendy's

If the words name a **specific park or place**, write it correctly above the name.

3. venice beach forest island splashorama swamp

If the words name a **landform or body of water**, write it correctly above the name.

4. lake havasu mountain brown's canyon lagoon morro bay

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Week 2: Day Three

Some specific words are NOT capitalized.

1. Names of seasons - spring, summer, winter, fall
2. Compass directions – traveling north, south, east, or west
3. Relationship words - *my mom* or *your dad*, *our grandma*, *his uncle*

Ex: Then **my mom** made my lunch.

(correct)

Check to see if the word **mom** is being used instead of her name. Substitute that person's name (Julie) in the sentence:

Then my Julie made my lunch. This doesn't make sense, so **mom** is NOT capitalized.

Ex: Then **Mom** made my lunch.

(correct)

Check to see if the word **Mom** is used instead of her name. Substitute that person's name (Julie) in the sentence.

Then Julie made my lunch. This does make sense, so Mom IS capitalized.

Hint: IF there is a possessive pronoun before the **relationship word**,
DO NOT use a capital letter: *your sister*, *my grandma*, *his aunt*,
our mom, *my brother*. Relationship words include *mom*, *dad*, and *aunt*.

Choose the correct sentence.

Be ready to tell why each sentence is correct or incorrect.

1. O My Dad has a cough.
 O My dad has a cough.
2. O I love winter!
 O I love Winter!
3. O We are heading North.
 O We are heading north.
4. O Next, Mom chopped wood.
 O Next, mom chopped wood.
5. O Our next field trip will be to sand dune park.
 O We have tickets to SeaWorld on Wednesday.
 O do I travel East or West to reach big bend national park?
6. O I've always wanted to swim in The Great salt lake in Utah.
 O I bought Potatoes, Bananas, and Milk at Ralph's Market.
 O The last time we went to Cinema Grill, we watched two movies.

Circle the noun or nouns in this sentence.

7. Brett washed the dog with shampoo and tenderness.

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Week 2: Day Four

- Choose the sentence with the correct end mark.
- Look at each correct sentence you chose.
- Write the name of the kind of sentence on the line.

Question Statement Exclamatory Sentence

1. How do you tie knots.
 When does the sun set?
Kind of sentence: _____
2. I own one bike!
 That tree is crashing on the house!
Kind of sentence: _____
3. I collect pennies.
 Dad collects silver dollars?
Kind of sentence: _____

If there is an error in an underlined section, make the correction in the space above.
If there is no error, write OK above the underlined word or phrase.

my Dad and I made a list of places two visit the next few years? At the top of the list, are a visit to johson Space Center in houston. We is both huge fans of Rockets, space, and anything scientific. The next year we could drive West to see meteor crater in Arizona. Hoover Dam, sitting right between Arizona and Nevada, is nearby. The final destination on our list is las vegas. I've heard the atomic testing museum there is pretty awesome! This list should keep us busy. Too bad mom has to stay home to care for her pet rock?

4. Circle the informational text structure of this passage.

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Week 2: Day Five-Assessment

Choose the sentence that is correct.

1. My mom sneezed.
 My Mom sneezed.
2. When is summer?
 When is Summer?
3. Birds fly South.
 Birds fly south.
4. Her grandpa flies kites.
 Her Grandpa flies kites.
5. Where is the rock and roll hall of fame?
 It's in the same state as the Pro Football Hall of Fame.
 Are they anywhere near the Motorcycle Hall of Fame!
 I would need a map of ohio to check their locations.
6. Is my money safe inside vectra Bank?
 My Dad gets his hair cut at sherman's barber shop.
 Our dog sees the vet at Happy Animal Hospital.
 Our whole family will meet at Goodson Park on Sunday?

Circle the noun(s) in each sentence.

7. Tina rode her bike to Settler's Park and threw a Frisbee with Keisha.
8. Mr. Lambert served in Iraq with honor and bravery.

Write the circled nouns from sentences 7 and 8 above in the correct section.

Person	Place	Thing
7.		
8.		
Abstract nouns		

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Week 2: Day Five-Assessment-p.2

If there is an error in an underlined section, make the correction in the space above. If there is no error, write OK above the underlined word or phrase.

My Mom and I have been working on a scrapbook of the places we visited last Summer. The first pages show us in Hawaii hiking a part of the kalalau trail. Those pictures are filled with the green mountains, huge white clouds, and the clearest, blue Ocean below. The next section of photos is from San francisco. We stopped there for three days on the way home? Grey fog wrapping around the golden gate bridge is my favorite image. my favorite activity pictures were at The Exploratorium, a hands-on science museum, which kept us busy for hours. Next, you see our smiles as we enjoyed a visit to the Ghirardelli Ice Cream and Chocolate Shop. The final photo caught us waving and leaning out from the cable car near the top of lombard street, the crookest street in the world. Looking at every picture makes me feel as if I am right there all over again

Circle the informational text structure of this passage.

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