Noun Notes

A noun is a word that names a person, place, thing, or idea.

Examples:

People	Places	Things	Ideas
fireman	store	dog	bravery
teacher	school	pencil	honesty
student	town	desk	democracy
father	country	book	religion
grandparent	theater	car	hatred
criminal	club	tree	love

Concrete nouns are usually people, places, or things and can be easily seen or touched. Examples:

student, school, desk

Abstract nouns are ideas or qualities and cannot be seen or touched directly. Examples: freedom, happiness, honor

Nouns can also be either **common** or **proper**.

Common nouns are nonspecific and are not capitalized.

Examples: teacher, store, dog, religion

Proper nouns name a specific person, place, thing, or idea and **are capitalized**. Examples: Mr. Sawyer, Target, German Shepherd, Christianity

Nouns that are made up of more than one word are called **compound nouns**. Examples: post office, ice cream, attorney-at-law, crosswalk

Find the nouns in the following sentences. Label them with an N above each word.

- 1. During springtime, flowers bloom.
- 2. The fragrance of the buds fills the air.
- 3. Bees are attracted to the perfume of the blossoms.
- 4. These insects see color, pattern, and movement.
- 5. Bees taste blooms with their front legs and antennae.