

Common & Proper

Nouns

SORT • CIRCLE • CAPITALIZE



31 pages • 6 page types • 74 practice items





THREE STEPS

1 Look at the Helper together

Page 6 is the one student page with the rule on it: a common noun names any one, a proper noun names one special one and starts with a capital letter. Read the two cards aloud with the child before the first page.

2 Pick a page type

Sort It is two pages of 10 words (Set A and Set B). Circle It, Capitalize It and Fill in the Blank each come in three sets of six sentences (A, B, C); no sentence repeats across the student pages.

3 Check it, record it, send it home

The answer keys are pages 19 to 22. Date each page on the tracker (page 23), roll the group up on page 24, and send the home page (26). A filled example is on page 27.

WHICH PAGE, WHEN

WHEN...	USE...
Learning what common and proper nouns are	Helper, page 6
Ready to sort words into the two kinds	Sort It (cut and glue), pages 7, 8
Ready to find the proper noun in a sentence	Circle It, pages 9, 10, 11
Ready to add the capital letter to a name	Capitalize It, pages 12, 13, 14
Ready to choose the right kind of noun for a blank	Fill in the Blank, pages 15, 16, 17
Ready to write an original sentence with a name	Write Your Own, page 18
Writing a progress note or a note home	Team note, page 25 · phrase bank, page 28

Everything inside (31 pages)

- **13 student pages** in 6 page types: Helper, Sort It, Circle It, Capitalize It, Fill in the Blank and Write Your Own
- **74 practice items**, all invented: 20 words to sort, 18 sentences to circle in, 18 to capitalize, 18 to fill in
- **20 cut-and-glue words** on two pages: ten a page, five a bin, each page one block that takes 5 straight cuts
- **1 rules page, 4 answer keys, 1 tracker, 1 class grid**
- **1 team note, 1 home page, 1 filled example, 1 phrase bank**
- **1 binder cover, 6 divider tabs** and a spine label

What makes it different

Every item has one honest answer. Capitalize It never puts the bold word first in a sentence, and the nouns on Sort It are plain names a child can say. Page 5 lists what is left out on purpose and leaves a line for your program's own wording.



COMMON AND PROPER NOUN HELPER



My name: _____ Date: _____



A common noun names any one. A proper noun names one special one, and it starts with a capital letter.

C

Common noun

girl, city, dog

a name for any person, place or thing; it starts with a small letter

P

Proper noun

Maya, Denver, Rex

the special name of one person, place or thing; it always starts with a capital letter

One sentence, both kinds

The girl named Maya lives in a city called Denver. — “girl” and “city” are common nouns: any girl, any city. “Maya” and “Denver” are proper nouns: one girl, one city, and each starts with a capital letter.



My name: _____

Date _____



Cut out the words. Glue each one under Common or Proper.

C

Common nouns



Glue 5 here

P

Proper nouns



Glue 5 here



Cut on the dashed lines. 10 pieces, 5 cuts.

state

Monday

Maya

boy

July

Rex

month

day

Texas

dog





My name: _____

Date _____



☐ Read the sentence. Circle the proper noun.

The girl named Maya picked up a pencil.

1

girl

Maya

pencil

Texas is a big state with a long coast.

2

Texas

state

coast

Our class read a book with Mr. Diaz.

3

class

book

Mr. Diaz

Denver is a city with tall buildings.

4

Denver

city

buildings

The team from Ohio won the game.

5

team

Ohio

game

A kitten and a puppy played with Luna.

6

kitten

puppy

Luna





My name: _____

Date _____



Write the bold word the right way. A proper noun needs a capital letter.

1 Please give this note to mr. diaz.

2 The teacher wrote on the board.

3 I want to fly to paris someday.

4 My best friend is luna.

5 We saw a zebra at the zoo.

6 We drove through ohio on Sunday.





My name: _____

Date _____



Read the sentence. Write the word that fits the kind it asks for.

Write a common noun

- 1 We ate lunch at the ____ near school.

park

Paris

Texas

Write a common noun

- 2 The ____ read us a funny story.

Ms. Cruz

Priya

teacher

Write a proper noun

- 3 My cousin ____ plays soccer.

ball

Priya

spoon

Write a proper noun

- 4 On ____, we have music class.

Monday

lunch

pencil

Write a common noun

- 5 My family lives in a small ____.

town

Ohio

Denver

Write a proper noun

- 6 My dog is named ____.

kitchen

Rex

teacher



TRY IT

WRITE YOUR OWN



My name: _____

Date

.....



Write a sentence with a name in it. Draw one.

Person

Place

Pet or toy

Check your work

☐

Used a name

☐

Started with a capital





Jonah P. is invented; nothing on this page describes a real student. The blank tracker is on page 23.

STUDENT

TEACHER

MONTH

Jonah P. (an invented student)

Ms. Keller (invented)

October

PAGE TYPE AND SET	PG	DATE	RIGHT (OF N)	NOTES
Sort It · Set A	7	10/5	9 of 10	Put Monday and July under Common at first, then fixed them
Sort It · Set B	8	10/12	8 of 10	–
Circle It · Set A	9	10/6	5 of 6	Circled a common noun once
Circle It · Set B	10	10/13	6 of 6	–
Circle It · Set C	11	–	–	–
Capitalize It · Set A	12	10/7	4 of 6	Added a capital to a common noun too
Capitalize It · Set B	13	–	–	–
Capitalize It · Set C	14	–	–	–
Fill in the Blank · Set A	15	–	–	–
Fill in the Blank · Set B	16	–	–	–
Fill in the Blank · Set C	17	–	–	–

How to read it

Jonah P. has finished Sort It (17 of 20 words right), 2 of 3 Circle It pages (11 of 12) and 1 of 3 Capitalize It page (4 of 6). Fill in the Blank is not started. Every number comes from the table above.

The family note this tracker would produce

“This month Jonah P. sorted 17 of 20 words into the right kind and circled the proper noun on 11 of 12 sentences. He is still adding a capital letter to a common noun sometimes: on his first Capitalize It page he did it once.” — every fact in it is a row of the table above, the same table the team note (page 25) and the phrase bank (page 28) draw their starters from.





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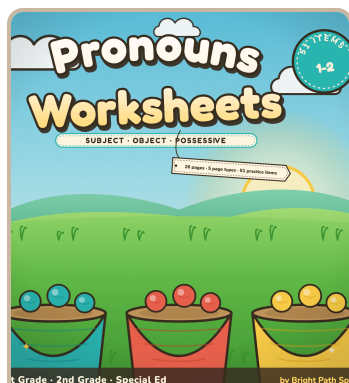
Everything here was built for the teacher who has a table of children who each need a different amount of support telling a common noun from a proper noun and knowing when a name needs a capital letter. If this helped, leaving feedback on TPT helps other teachers find it.

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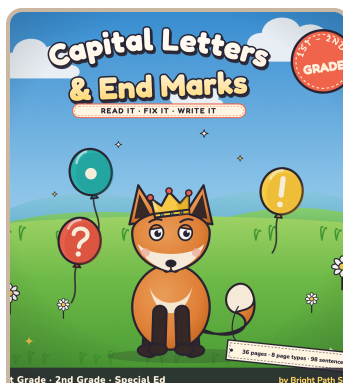
WHAT'S NEXT FROM THIS STORE

More of the sentence-building conventions this pack sits beside: pronouns, capital letters and end marks, showing ownership with a noun, and one noun versus many.



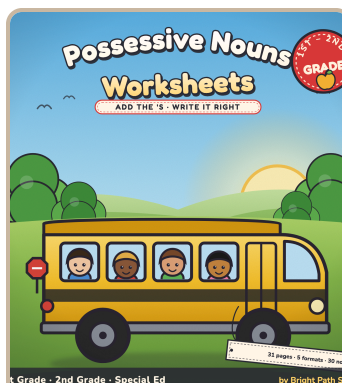
Pronouns Worksheets, Subject Object Possessive, 1st-2nd

The word that takes a noun's place: sorting, spotting and filling in.



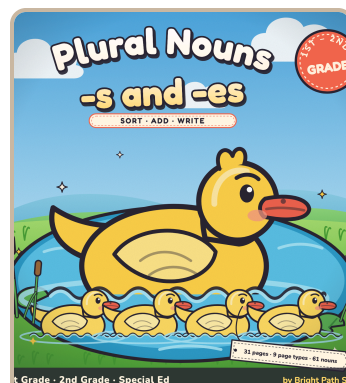
Capitalization and End Punctuation Worksheets, 1st-2nd

More capital-letter practice, now for the start of a sentence and the end mark.



Possessive Nouns Worksheets, Apostrophe S, 1st-2nd

Showing whose it is with a noun and an apostrophe.



Plural Nouns (s and es) Worksheets, Sort, Add, Write, 1st-2nd

One or more than one: the other noun skill that changes a word's ending.

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