



Common Noun

A common noun is the general name of a person, place, or thing.

Proper Noun

A proper noun is the specific name of a person, place, or thing.

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man →

Abraham Lincoln

mountain →

Mount Everest



building →

White House

dog →

Spot



state →

Texas



newspaper →

New York Times

book →

Frindle



monument →

Washington Monument

park →

Heritage Park



Proper nouns always are capitalized in a sentence.

Mark and I went to the park and visited the museum. (common nouns not capitalized)

Mark and I went to Heritage Park and visited The Metropolitan Museum of Art. (proper nouns ARE capitalized)