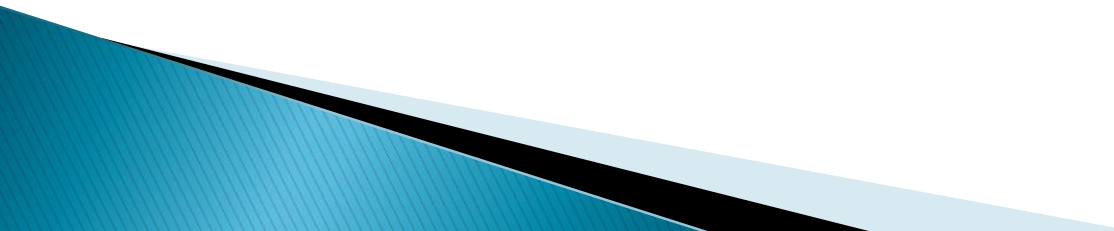


A Course in Spoken and Written English NOUN

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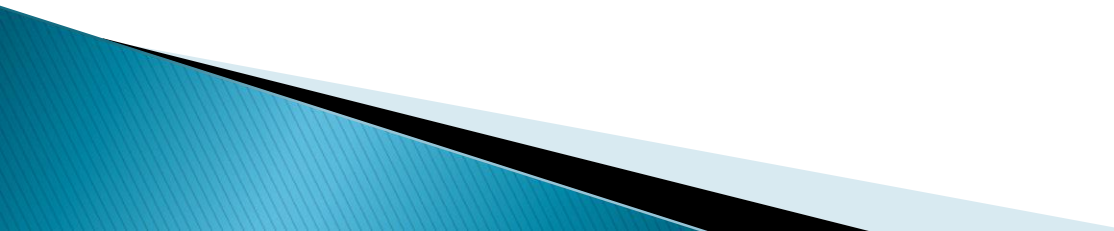
- ▶ Noun
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Nouns

A Noun is a naming words. It denotes the name of a person, place or thing, an animal or bird, an emotion or idea.

- ▶ Eg: man, sister, boy Raju (person)
Village, house, India, river (places)
Pen, shirt, fruit, table (things)
Cow, cat, parrot, tiger(animals)
Freedom, advice, thought, joy (emotion or idea)
Grammar, science (subject of study)

Nouns are classified into

- ▶ Common noun
 - ▶ Proper noun
 - ▶ Abstract noun
 - ▶ Collective noun
 - ▶ Material noun
 - ▶ Concrete noun
 - ▶ Countable noun
 - ▶ Uncountable noun
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Common Noun

- ▶ A common Noun is a name, given in common, to all persons, places, things or animals of the same class or kind.

Eg: Man, bicycle, chair, tree, street, city, ball, boy, cock, dog, village etc.

Proper Noun

- ▶ A proper Noun is the name of a particular person, place or animals. It begins with a Capital letter.

Eg: India, Toyota, Vignesh, Salem, Cauvery, Mt.Everest, Tommy etc.

Abstract Noun

- ▶ An Abstract Noun denotes something that is abstract(non visible, nor tangible). It is the name of an idea, emotion or action, a state or a subject of study.

For Eg: liberty, sorrow, advice, knowledge, grammar, logic, kindness, childhood, admission, health, sympathy, love, joy, anger, truth, love, fear, etc.

Collective Noun

- ▶ A Collective Noun is the name that refers to a group of persons or collection of things taken as a whole.

Eg: army, bunch, committee, family, fleet,
flock, furniture, gang, nation, navy, people,
team, group, herd, etc.

Material Noun

Material Noun are names of substances which are used for making other things.

Eg: Wood, gold, iron, clay, stone, plastic, silver, wool etc.

Concrete Noun

A Concrete Noun refers to something that is concrete and that can be seen or tasted, touched or felt.

Eg: Cotton, table, doll , fire, tea, mountain, leaf etc

Countable Noun

- ▶ The noun that can be counted are called countable nouns. They have singular and plural forms of their own.

Singular	Plural
A pen	Two pens
Girl	girls
An egg	Five eggs
A man	Four men
An actor	Many actors
River	Rivers

Uncountable Noun

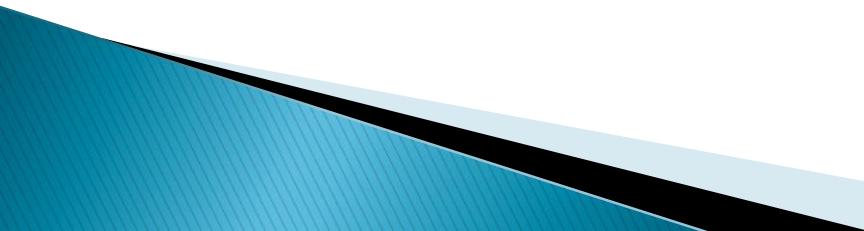
The Noun that can not be counted are called Uncountable Nouns. They don't have plural forms. They generally refer to drinks, liquids, grains, gases, materials, metals, games etc. The abstract nouns are also uncountable nouns.

Eg: coffee, milk, ink, water, oil, rice, wheat, sympathy, truth, knowledge, life, death, honesty, etc.

Possessive forms of Nouns

- ▶ The possessive form refers to ‘possession’, ‘ownership’ or ‘relationship’.
- ▶ **Usha’s** silk sari is green.
- ▶ Tommy is a **dog’s** name.
- ▶ The **manager’s** scooter is a new one.
- ▶ There is a **pensioner’s** office.
- ▶ This is the **women’s** hostel.
- ▶ There is a **children’s** park.
- ▶ **To-day’s** work is completed.
- ▶ The teacher’s association is a strong body.

Pick out the Nouns in the following Sentences

- ▶ He lost his parents in infancy.
 - ▶ Delhi is the capital of India.
 - ▶ The girl has a sweet voice.
 - ▶ Wisdom is better than strength.
 - ▶ Asoka was a great king.
 - ▶ Our class consists of twenty pupils.
 - ▶ There was a large crowd in the street.
 - ▶ Calcutta is on the Hughli.
 - ▶ Are you speaking the truth?
 - ▶ Solomon was famous for his wisdom.
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Thank you