

Nouns- people, places, things or ideas

<p>Collective Nouns</p> <p>Nouns that refer to specific group of people or things.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <p>herd, flock, city, school, class, jury, team</p>		<p>Nouns are always either common (nonspecific) or proper (specific). Proper nouns are always capitalized.</p> <table><tr><th>Common</th><th>Proper</th></tr><tr><td>shoes</td><td>Nike's</td></tr><tr><td>restaurant</td><td>McDonalds</td></tr><tr><td>woman</td><td>Mrs. Jones</td></tr></table>		Common	Proper	shoes	Nike's	restaurant	McDonalds	woman	Mrs. Jones																								
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