- A **noun** names a person, place, thing, event, or idea.
- A **common noun** names any person, place, thing, or event.
- A proper noun names a specific person, place, or thing and begins with a capital letter. Some proper nouns may contain more than one word.
 Days of the week, months of the year, and holidays are proper nouns.

Read each sentence. Underline each common noun and circle each proper noun.

- 1. Hillside Library has many books.
- 2. The entrance is on Spring Street.
- 3. Our class visited on Tuesday.
- **4.** Each student received a card for checking things out.
- **5.** Mrs. Young gave a tour of the sections.
- **6.** Does the library subscribe to many magazines?
- 7. My friend asked for novels by Louisa May Alcott.
- 8. Students could also read articles on the computer.
- **9.** When will the borrowed books be due?
- **10.** The materials must be returned by the end of October.

- A **concrete noun** names a person, place, or thing. It is something you can see, hear, smell, taste, or feel.
- An abstract noun is an idea or concept. You cannot see, hear, smell, taste, or feel it.

Read each sentence. Write whether the underlined noun is concrete or abstract.

- 1. The new factory will open in June.
- 2. My brother will look for a job there. _____
- 3. He has a good understanding of machinery.
- 4. The company makes engines for airplanes.
- **5.** Our neighbor has worked for them before.
- **6.** She was a manager during the construction process. _____
- 7. We liked to watch the tractors and cranes at the site. _____
- 8. The main building was finished in three months. _____
- 9. The workers gave a cheer when the job was finished.
- 10. The new jobs will bring great joy to our town.

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- A **proper noun** always begins with a capital letter. When proper nouns contain more than one word, capitalize each important word.
- Capitalize the names of days, months, holidays, historical events, geographical names, nationalities, and titles. Capitalize abbreviations of days and months.

Rewrite each sentence correctly by capitalizing any proper nouns.

- 1. My family will travel to mexico next july.
- 2. Our flight takes off from midway airport in chicago.
- 3. We will leave on a monday and return the next thursday.
- 4. The hansons will take care of our cat teddy while we are gone.
- 5. We plan to go hiking in copper canyon on independence day.

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Proofread the paragraph. On the lines below, correct mistakes in the use of proper nouns and capitalization.

The band township tunes will perform a benefit concert at cascade arena next tuesday, may 23, at 7:30. Mayor alice lee will introduce the group. All proceeds from the Event will be donated to the falls village foundation. This group will help rebuild areas of falls village that were destroyed by flooding along the wells river in april. For more information, read the article in this week's *falls village times*.