## Common and Proper Nouns

A **common noun** names a general person, place or thing.

examples: I went to the <u>city</u>.

Name:

The man was kind.

A **proper noun** names a specific person, place, or thing. Always capitalize the first letter of a proper noun.

examples: I went to San Francisco.

Mr. Brown was kind.

My new puppy, Perro, is playful.

## Directions: Underline the common nouns with a blue crayon. Underline the proper nouns with a red crayon.

- 1. The house is on Main Street. (1 common, 1 proper)
- 2. Karen played with her sister. (1 common, 1 proper)
- 3. Fran went to Friendly's Pet Shop. (2 proper)
- 4. The car stopped quickly. (1 common)
- 5. Morgan Boulevard is a busy street (1 proper, 1 common)
- 6. Michael and his friend chased the kitten. (1 proper, 2 common)
- 7. Did you see Kevin at the party? (1 proper, 1 common)
- 8. Laura looked at the stars through her telescope. (1 proper, 2 common)
- 9. There were no yellow markers in the box. (2 common)

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- 10. Have you ever eaten a cheeseburger at <u>Burger Planet?</u>
  (1 common, 1 proper)
- 11. A young boy found a dollar on the sidewalk. (3 common)
- 12. Mary sat by the fire and roasted a marshmallow (1 proper, 2 common)

Directions: Write the word "common" next to each common noun. Re-write each proper noun correctly.

1. alice smith proper \_\_proper 2. carpenter proper 3. dog proper 4. max proper 5. book 6. mayberry library common proper 7. jupiter 8. planet common common 9. restaurant 10. burger king **common** 

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