

# Classification of nouns | exercise

Say whether the italicized nouns are common, proper, collective or abstract. Put a tick mark against your answer.

1. The jury has announced its verdict. *Jury* is a

.....

common noun

abstract noun

collective noun

2. Sharon makes models from clay. *Sharon* is a

.....

common noun

proper noun

collective noun

3. Donald took out his pen and began to make notes. *Pen* is a .....

common noun

proper noun

material noun

4. The crocodiles in the river snapped angrily at

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the boat. River is a .....

- proper noun
- abstract noun
- common noun

5. The boys on bicycles delivered pamphlets. Pamphlets is a .....

- common noun
- proper noun
- collective noun

6. Cleopatra was known for her beauty. Beauty is a / an .....

- collective noun
- abstract noun
- common noun

7. Always speak the truth. Truth is a .....

- common noun
- collective noun
- abstract noun

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8. The Nile overflows its banks every year. Nile is a .....

- proper noun
- collective noun
- abstract noun

9. I believe in his innocence. Innocence is a .....

- common noun
- collective noun
- abstract noun

10. The elephant has great strength. Elephant is a .....

- collective noun
- abstract noun
- common noun

## Answers

1. Collective noun

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2. Proper noun

3. Common noun

4. Common noun

5. Common noun

6. Abstract noun

7. Abstract noun

8. Proper noun

9. Abstract noun

10. Common noun

## Notes

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

A common noun is a name given in common to every person or thing of the same class or kind.

An abstract noun refers to a quality or state.

A collective noun refers to a collection of people or things.