Collective nouns worksheet

Read the following sentences.

A large crowd gathered in the street.
The hungry fox saw a bunch of grapes hanging from the vine.
We were attacked by a swarm of bees.
Here the words crowd, bunch and swarm stand for a collection of people, a collection of grapes and a collection of bees. Nouns which are thus used to denote a collection of people or things are called collective nouns.

Complete the following sentences using appropriate collective nouns.

1. A ................................ of locusts attacked a ................................ of cattle.

2. A .......................................................... of birds is always a beautiful sight.

3. They welcomed the chief guest with a ........................................ of flowers.

4. As we drove down the country side, we saw a .................................................. of sheep grazing in the fields.

5. The ..............................................of thieves has been arrested by the police.

6. There we saw a man carrying a .......................................................... of clothes on his head.

7. A ................................................. of musicians was hired to perform at the party.

8. My friend has a fine ................................................. of old stamps.

Answers

1. A swarm of locusts attacked a herd of cattle.
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2. A flight of birds is always a beautiful sight.

3. They welcomed the chief guest with a bouquet of flowers.

4. As we drove down the country side, we saw a flock of sheep grazing in the fields.

5. The gang of thieves has been arrested by the police.

6. There we saw a man carrying a bundle of clothes on his head.

7. A band of musicians was hired to perform at the party.

8. My friend has a fine collection of old stamps.