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.
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.