

Varied Fluency

Step 1: What are Nouns?

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 2: (2G3.2) [Learn how to use expanded noun phrases to describe and specify \[for example, the blue butterfly, plain flour, the man in the moon\]](#)

Terminology for pupils:

- (2G3.2) [noun phrase](#)

Differentiation:

Developing Questions to support the understanding of common, proper and collective nouns where only one noun of each type is used in each sentence. Collective nouns are used with their matching common nouns and no others.

Expected Questions to support the understanding of common, proper and collective nouns. Collective nouns are used with their matching common nouns alongside others.

Greater Depth Questions to support the understanding of common, proper and collective nouns. Collective nouns are used without their matching common nouns, alongside other nouns and adjectives.

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What are Nouns?

1a. Underline any common nouns in the sentence. Circle any collective nouns in the sentence.

There is a herd of cows.



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What are Nouns?

1b. Underline any common nouns in the sentence. Circle any collective nouns in the sentence.

Here is a bunch of flowers.



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2a. Tick the sentence that uses a proper noun correctly.

The party is in july.

Where is Anya?



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2b. Tick the sentence that uses a proper noun correctly.

See you on Friday.

She lives in england.



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3a. Circle any mistakes you can see in the sentence below.

We went away on monday.



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3b. Circle any mistakes you can see in the sentence below.

Zara saw a Film.



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4a. Which of the nouns should fill the gap in the sentence below?

Here is the _____ of books.

Pile

bear

pile



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4b. Which of the nouns should fill the gap in the sentence below?

There is a _____ of shoes.

pair

Pair

tree



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What are Nouns?

5a. Underline any common nouns in the sentence. Circle any collective nouns in the sentence.

The army of ants ate the leaves.



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What are Nouns?

5b. Underline any common nouns in the sentence. Circle any collective nouns in the sentence.

The girl watched the fleet of ships.



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6a. Tick the sentence that uses a proper noun correctly.

I sat next to Joe at lunch.

Are you coming on saturday?



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6b. Tick the sentence that uses a proper noun correctly.

I am going to see my Mum.

I have swimming on Thursday.



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7a. Circle any mistakes you can see in the sentence below.

I saw my friend ella at our School.



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7b. Circle any mistakes you can see in the sentence below.

I saw grandad move the Deck of cards.



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8a. Which of the nouns should fill the gap in the sentence below?

There was a _____ of footballers in the hotel.

Team

team

town



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8b. Which of the nouns should fill the gap in the sentence below?

Ali wants to buy a _____ of bananas.

Bunch

mother

bunch



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What are Nouns?

9a. Underline any common nouns in the sentence. Circle any collective nouns in the sentence.

A huge swarm buzzed in through the open window of our house.



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What are Nouns?

9b. Underline any common nouns in the sentence. Circle any collective nouns in the sentence.

The pride crept through the long grass towards the noisy monkeys.



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10a. Tick the sentence that uses proper nouns correctly.

Daisy and I saw a Poppy in the sunny field.

It is a pretty place next to Saint Luke's Church.



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10b. Tick the sentence that uses proper nouns correctly.

Go to Top Burgers to eat great food.

It is by a little store called shop and Save.



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11a. Circle any mistakes you can see in the sentence below.

An old Farmer showed us how his clever dog, spot, could round up a Flock.



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11b. Circle any mistakes you can see in the sentence below.

Oliver said that his new Friend tammy lives on a short street called Park road.



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12a. Which of the nouns should fill the gap in the sentence below?

The happy baker told us that he had saved a tasty _____ for us.

glass

Batch

batch



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12b. Which of the nouns should fill the gap in the sentence below?

Our black cat had given birth to her first _____ and looked very proud.

litter

egg

Litter



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Developing

- 1a. Underlined: cows. Circled: herd.
- 2a. Where is Anya?
- 3a. 'monday' should be circled.
- 4a. pile

Expected

- 5a. Underlined: ants, leaves. Circled: army.
- 6a. I sat next to Joe at lunch.
- 7a. 'ella' and 'School' should be circled.
- 8a. team

Greater Depth

- 9a. Underlined: window, house. Circled: swarm.
- 10a. It is a pretty place next to Saint Luke's Church.
- 11a. 'Farmer', 'spot' and 'Flock' should be circled.
- 12a. batch

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Developing

- 1b. Underlined: flowers. Circled: bunch.
- 2b. See you on Friday.
- 3b. 'Film' should be circled.
- 4b. pair

Expected

- 5b. Underlined: girl, ships. Circled: fleet.
- 6b. I have swimming on Thursday.
- 7b. 'grandad' and 'Deck' should be circled.
- 8b. bunch

Greater Depth

- 9b. Underlined: grass, monkeys. Circled: pride.
- 10b. Go to Top Burgers to eat great food.
- 11b. 'Friend', 'tammy' and 'road' should be circled.
- 12b. litter