

What Is a Proper Noun?



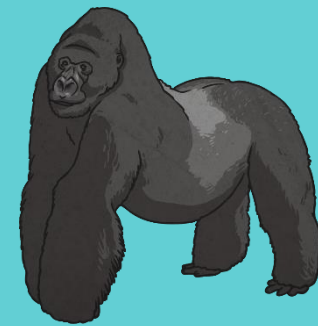
Getting Started

What is a **noun**?

A noun is a **naming** word. They are used to identify a person, place or thing. There are several different types of noun; we mostly use 'common nouns'.

So, what is a **common noun**?

Common nouns are the general names for people, places, objects or animals. For example:

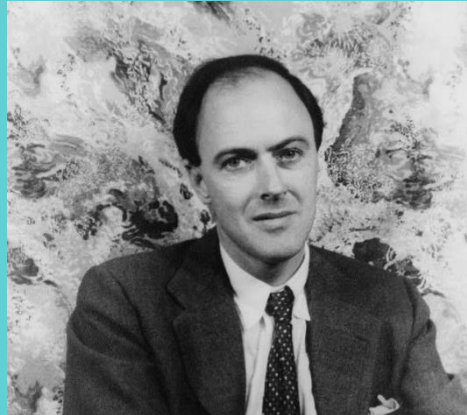


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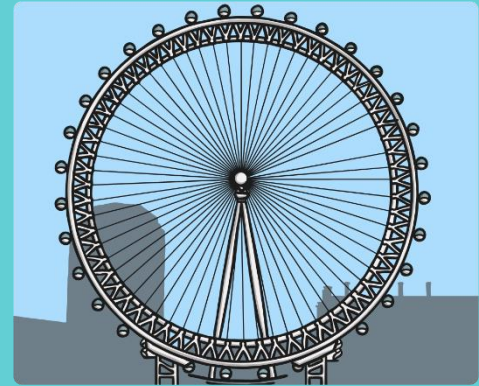
Proper nouns are different in that they name a **specific place, object or person**. They should also always start with a **capital letter**.



Sydney



Roald Dahl



London Eye

Months of the year, days of the week, some religious events and brand names are also examples of **proper nouns**.

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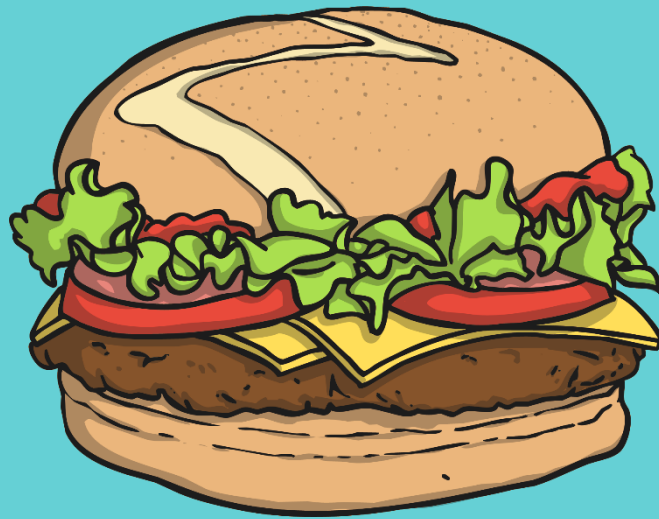
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day of the week	Tuesday
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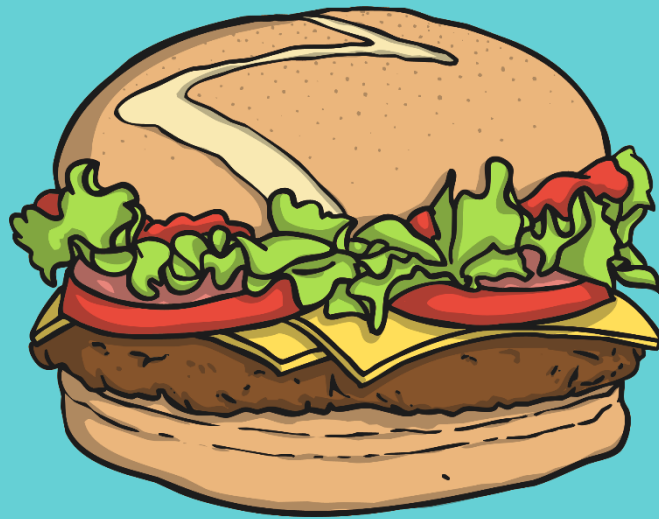


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Your Task

Open your Punctuation and Grammar home learning pack.

Turn to **page 37** titled '**Proper nouns**' and complete the activities on this page.

Watch the video on this page and complete the activities:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zrqqtfr/articles/zpd8ng8>