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**Proper Noun** Names a particular person, place or thing. A proper noun names a particular person, place or thing. Proper nouns begin with a capital letter.

**Examples:**

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**Proper Nouns** Tammy woks for the United States Government.  
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Some include titles that tell what a person is or does, such as Mr. Sanchez or Dr. Smith.

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2.	The New York Jets are the best team in New York.
3.	I attended a play last night at St. Joseph's church.
4.	We play soccer in the field at St Mark's Elementary School.
5.	My brother was in his car when it was snowing in Baltimore.
6.	The Supreme Court gives advice to President Barack Obama about the economy.
7.	Our coach played basketball for the Chicago Bulls.
8.	Washington D.C. is the capital of the United States.
9.	My sister has a red coat, but she left it in the house.
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1.	Do you like to <u>hunt</u> (C), <u>fish</u> (C) or <u>swim</u> (C)?
2.	The <u>New York Jets</u> (P) are the best <u>team</u> (C) in <u>New York</u> (P).
3.	I attended a <u>play</u> (C) last night at <u>St. Joseph's</u> (P) <u>church</u> (C).
4.	We play <u>soccer</u> (C) in the <u>field</u> (C) at <u>St Mark's Elementary School</u> (P).
5.	My <u>brother</u> (C) was in his <u>car</u> (C) when it was snowing in <u>Baltimore</u> (P).
6.	The <u>Supreme Court</u> (P) gives advice to <u>President Barack Obama</u> (P) about the <u>economy</u> (C).
7.	Our <u>coach</u> (C) played <u>basketball</u> (C) for the <u>Chicago Bulls</u> (P).
8.	<u>Washington D.C.</u> (C) is the <u>capital</u> (C) of the <u>United States</u> (P).
9.	My <u>sister</u> (C) has a red <u>coat</u> (C), but she left it in the <u>house</u> (C).
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