Common and Proper Nouns

Grade 1

Name _____ Date _____

Grown-ups: read each item out loud. A noun is a naming word: it names a person, a place, an animal or a thing. A common noun is any person, place or thing (boy, country). A proper noun is a special name (Sam, Spain) and starts with a capital letter.

Common: boy, country, horse **Proper:** Sam, Spain, Lucky

1. Sort the nouns

Read each noun. Write it in the right box.

cat | Emma | park | Canada | teacher | Tuesday | town | Rome | apple | Milo | book | April

Common noun	Proper noun

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2. Match the common noun to a proper noun

Draw a line from each common noun to a special name for it.

girl	o	o	Friday
city	o	o	Rex
dog	o	o	May
day	o	o	Emma
river	o	o	Nile
month	o	o	Paris

Answer Key

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