



**Subject:** Grade 8 English: Home Language  
**Topic:** Nouns - common, proper, collective, abstract  
**Total:** 32 Marks

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1. Cameron | Cape Town 4 marks

**Explanation:**

**Proper nouns** always begin with capital letters. - "Cameron, Cape Town".

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2. false 2 marks

**Explanation:**

**Proper nouns** are the names given to people, places, days and months.

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3. common | compound 4 marks

**Explanation:**

**Common nouns** name people, places and things (*boy*).

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4. false 2 marks

**Explanation:**

**Collective nouns** name a collection or group of objects, people or creatures.

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5. false 2 marks

**Explanation:**

A **collective noun** is a descriptive way of saying 'lots of ...'.

Example: a chatter of staff members

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6. common noun | common nouns | common 3 marks

**Explanation:**

A **common noun** is a name we use for any person or thing that belongs to a particular kind or class.

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7. A pack of cards. | pack | A pack of cards 3 marks

**Explanation:**

**Collective nouns** are names given to a group of people, animals or things of the same kind.

A **bundle** of firewood.

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8. B: Wednesday

4 marks

**Explanation:**

**Wednesday** is the name of a day; therefore it is a **proper noun** and is written with a capital letter at the start.

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9. true

2 marks

**Explanation:**

Many **abstract nouns** end with suffixes.

Example: -tion (concentration).

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10. teacher | desks | classroom

6 marks

**Explanation:**

**Common nouns** are used in this sentence.

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