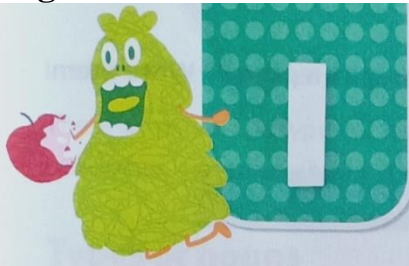


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CHAPTER 1 - THE NOUN
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The Noun

Let's Do

Given below is a passage about some insects that are not harmful! Read it.

Hi! I am Sanghita Basak. I'd like to talk to you about helpful insects in your garden. Most people are either indifferent to, or scared of insects and pests. But do you know all insects are not harmful and therefore should not be called pests? In fact, some of the pests that I'm going to talk about here are very helpful; they offer you a lot of help with gardening. If you love your garden, you should wait for these insects to invade it. My friend Diya does a lot of gardening in Pitampur in Bihar. She and her sister Riya have a big garden. They supply flowers, vegetables and fruits to Arani Supermarket. The last time we met she told me certain things about helpful insects which I'm going to share with you.

The beautiful spotted ladybugs eat plant lice a seriously harmful pest for your plants in your garden. The lacewings feed on caterpillars, moth eggs, mites and thrips. Though hoverflies look exactly like wasps and bees, they are very different from them. They too feed on insects and insect eggs and help one obtain bigger and juicier raspberries and strawberries.



Because Diya and Riya have made gardening their profession, they have to be careful. They don't like to use a lot of chemical pest repellent because that is harmful for harvest. They



therefore depend on the harmless friendly insects. The long-legged biggish ground beetles and garden spiders really like to feed on insects that seriously harm vegetables.

Answers - Underlined words are **PROPER NOUNS**
 Encircled words are **COMMON NOUNS**

common nouns	proper nouns
insects	Sanghita Basak
garden	Diya
people	Riya
pests	Arani Supermarket
sister	Pithampur
flowers	Bihar
vegetables	
fruits	
things etc.	

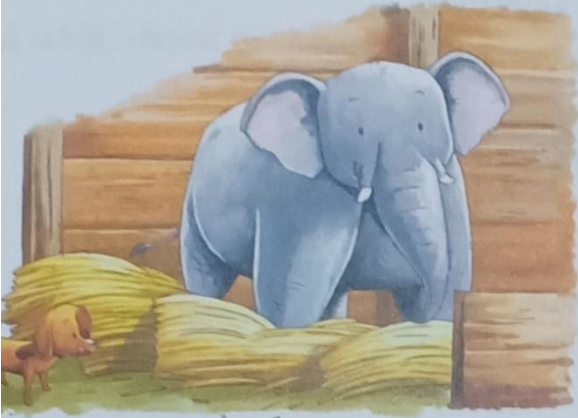
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Let's Practise

proper	material	collective
St. Teresa's High School	project	class
Chennai	plants	bunches
Riaz	saplings	group
Rani	pots	bushels
	mud	pair
	water	
	food	
	cans	
	rain	
	dairy	
	flowers	
	vegetables	
	fruits	
	marigolds	
	poppies	
	lillies	
	roses	
	strawberries	
	chilli peppers	
	eggplants	

2. a.

a. Read the following passage and underline the abstract nouns and circle the concrete nouns.



Once upon a time, there was a king who loved all the animals. He particularly liked elephants. For elephants, he built huge stables and kept a caretaker for them. The elephants were given special diet every day so that they remain healthy. One day a hungry stray dog was looking for food. While looking for food he entered one of the stables and saw leftover food inside. Feeling overjoyed he ate it all. The elephant allowed the dog to eat the food. Soon they became friends. The caretaker also didn't mind the dog being around. One day, a farmer saw

the dog and bought the dog from the caretaker for a good price. After the dog was gone, the elephant felt very sad as he missed his friend. Soon he stopped eating and slowly became very weak. The news reached the king soon and he came to meet his favourite elephant in the stable. Though the caretaker knew why the elephant was sad, he didn't tell the king fearing his anger and punishment for what he did. The royal doctor came and understood that the elephant was sad for some reason. While looking for the source of its sadness, the king came to know about the love between the dog and the elephant. The king announced a very good reward for the person who could find the dog. Hearing the royal announcement, the farmer came to the king and said that the caretaker sold him the dog. The caretaker was called. He was asked to return the farmer's money. The elephant became very happy to get its friend back.

Now write down ten more abstract nouns here.

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b. **Abstract Nouns** – childhood, innocence, poverty, bravery, jealousy, hatred, education, hope, faith, intelligence

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Let's Practise (Adjectives to Abstract Nouns)

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|-------------|-----------------|
| 1. wisdom | 6. pride |
| 2. courage | 7. intelligence |
| 3. bravery | 8. difficulty |
| 4. strength | 9. width |
| 5. sadness | 10. glory |

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Let's Practise (Common nouns to Abstract Nouns)

1. leadership
2. knighthood
3. kingdom
4. scholarship
5. parenthood
6. membership
7. sisterhood
8. partnership

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Let's Practise (Verbs to Abstract Nouns)

1.

a. sight	g. prevention
b. attraction	h. injury
c. discussion	i. consolation
d. argument	j. assistance
e. agreement	j. attachment
f. location	k. approval

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2.

a. wisdom	d. intelligence	g. knowledge
b. pride	e. fame	h. kingdom
c. courage	f. neighbourhood	i. glory

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3.

kingdom,	fame,	glory,	pride,	kingdom,	courage,	intelligence,
wisom,	knowledge					

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