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Say whether the italicized nouns are common, proper, collective or abstract. Put a tick mark against your answer.

1. The jury has announced its verdict. *Jury* is a

.....

common noun

abstract noun

collective noun

2. Sharon makes models from clay. *Sharon* is a

.....

common noun

proper noun

collective noun

3. Donald took out his pen and began to make notes. *Pen* is a

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common noun

proper noun

material noun

4. The crocodiles in the river snapped angrily at the boat. River is a

proper noun

abstract noun

common noun

5. The boys on bicycles delivered pamphlets. Pamphlets is a

common noun

proper noun

collective noun

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6. Cleopatra was known for her beauty. Beauty is a / an

collective noun

abstract noun

common noun

7. Always speak the truth. Truth is a

common noun

collective noun

abstract noun

8. The Nile overflows its banks every year. Nile is a

proper noun

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collective noun

abstract noun

9. I believe in his innocence. Innocence is a

.....

common noun

collective noun

abstract noun

10. The elephant has great strength. Elephant is a

.....

collective noun

abstract noun

common noun

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Answers

1. Collective noun
2. Proper noun
3. Common noun
4. Common noun
5. Common noun
6. Abstract noun
7. Abstract noun
8. Proper noun
9. Abstract noun
10. Common noun

Notes

A proper noun is the name of a particular person, place or thing.

A common noun is a name given in common to every person or thing of the same class or kind.

An abstract noun refers to a quality or state.

A collective noun refers to a collection of people or things.