

# Step 3: Recognising Common Nouns and Proper Nouns

## Introduction

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**What is a proper noun?**

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## Varied Fluency 1

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<b>garden</b>	

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<b>garden</b>	<b>common</b>

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Circle the noun below.

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in the pond.**
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\_\_\_\_\_ is best at.**

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1. The frog sat on the lily in the pond.
2. Swimming is the sport that Lily is best at.

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**Various answers, for example: Grandma was eaten by the big, bad wolf.**

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**I hope the wolf doesn't eat my grandma!**

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**'Rocket Man' is a proper noun because it is the name of a specific game.**