

Exploring Proper Nouns

A **proper noun** names a **specific** person, place, or thing. Proper nouns always start with **capital letters**.

Remember to use capital letters for the types of proper nouns shown below.

	Examples of Proper Nouns
Names of countries, states, and cities	<i>Africa, Georgia, Portland</i>
Names of holidays	<i>Labor Day, Valentine's Day</i>
Names of people and pets	<i>Frank, Dr. Green, Fluffy, Aunt Rachel, Grandma</i>
Names of days of the week and months of the year	<i>Wednesday, September</i>
Names of businesses, organizations, and museums	<i>Big Burger, American Red Cross, Natural History Museum</i>

1. Correct the sentences below by making the **proper nouns** start with **capital letters**.

a) We bought a kitten at greenville pet store last tuesday.

b) On mother's day, uncle george came from maine to visit us.

c) Last april, mrs. alvarez took our class to the alamo in san antonio, texas.

d) My aunt and uncle usually spend new year's day in columbus, ohio.
