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<p>To start the first word of every sentence.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Can I have an appointment to see Dr Sawbones, please? 	<p>The bus is late.</p>
<p>The personal pronoun 'I'.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Can I have an appointment to see Dr Sawbones, please? 	
<p>Proper nouns and proper adjectives</p> <p>* Nouns / adjectives that are not proper nouns or proper adjectives are called common nouns / adjectives. Do not capitalise them unless they are part of a name or title.</p>	<p>The days of the week, months of the year, public holidays.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Monday, May, May Day. <p>TIP Compass points and seasons of the year are common nouns. Do not capitalise them unless they are part of a title or name.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Drive north on the M1. I'll visit her next summer. ▶ We go walking in North Yorkshire. 	
	<p>A name or a title that refers specifically to an individual person, place, institution, or event.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ John Lennon, King Charles III, the House of Commons, Cheddar cheese, Brussels sprouts. <p>TIP Only capitalise relationship names that are used in place of a person's name.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ "Her mum is amazing" but "What does Mum want for Christmas?" 	
	<p>Title of a book, poem, film, newspaper, piece of music.</p> <p>Capitalise the first word and all significant words.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The Lord of the Rings, Pride and Prejudice, The Guardian, Guardians of the Galaxy. 	
<p>Companies, brand names.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Amazon, Nescafe, Coca-Cola. 		

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Proper nouns and proper adjectives (continued)	Nationalities, regions and languages. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The Danish people; the British way of life. ▶ The Danes, Britons and Scandinavians ▶ She speaks Gaelic, English and French. ▶ I love Cornish pasties and Danish pastries. 	<p>Start learning Scottish Gaelic!</p> 
	House Names, Streets, Towns, Cities, Countries and postcodes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Flat 1, London Road, Hastings. United Kingdom. TN94 1BZ 	
	The names of festivals, holy days and religious terms. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Diwali, Christmas Day, Catholicism, Easter. 	
	The names of distinctive historical periods. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The Middle Ages, the Iron Age. 	
Abbreviations and acronyms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ ASAP (as soon as possible). Dr (doctor), NATO (North American Treaty Organisation), NHS (National Health Service). 	
The first word of direct speech or quotations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ He said, “Please call Dr Sawbones immediately.” 	
Interjections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Oh! What terrible weather. ▶ Wow! I love your hat. 	