Find the Proper Nouns

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A **proper noun** is a special name for a person, place, or thing. It always starts with a big letter (capital letter). Proper nouns tell you the exact name of something. For example:

People: Sarah, Mr. Khan

Places: London, Birmingham, India

Things: Tesco, Christmas, Monday

These are proper nouns because they name specific people, places, or things. They are different from common nouns, like 'girl' or 'city', which don't tell us a specific name.

Task 1: Circle the Proper Nouns

Read the sentences below. Circle the proper nouns.

Example: The weather in Barbados is fabulous.

1. Sarah is my best friend.
2. They live in Birmingham.
3. Mr. Patel works in a bank.
4. We went to Tesco to buy milk.
5. London is a big city.

Task 2: Write the Proper Nouns

Look at Task 1 again. Put the proper nouns in the table. Then add the common nouns.

Sentence	Proper noun	Common noun
Example	Barbados	weather
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		

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Task 3: Write Your Own Sentences

Write full sentences using different proper nouns.

For example: "I went to Manchester on Wednesday."

Your sentences:

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How many sentences did you write? _____ How many proper nouns did you use? _____

Task 4: Correct the Sentences

In each sentence, there are mistakes with the use of capital letters.

Rewrite the sentences to show the correct use of capital letters.

1. steven is going to spain next week.

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2. my children love going to chester zoo.

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3. she lives in canterbury, kent.

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4. i love reading books by j k rowling.

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