This Power Point is about... the word class: NOUNS

"WORD CLASS" means describing the types of word in a sentence

Look at this example:

The huge spider silently crept across its silvery web.

Each word in this sentence does a job. It belongs to a WORD CLASS.

NOUNS

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The words highlighted in yellow are NOUNS. They describe an object, thing or feeling.

There are 4 main types of noun. Think of them as two sets of pairs:

Proper Noun	Common Noun
person or place e.g. London, Mr Wilson, Jupiter (notice that proper nouns have capital letters)	a general object or thing e.g. city, man, planet
Concrete Noun	Abstract Noun
Concrete Noun something you can see, touch,	Abstract Noun something that is hard to see or

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When Andrew saw the monster, his heart began to beat faster.

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Hatred and anger burned in Ken's fierce eyes.

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Christopher Wren, who rebuilt much of the city, was not actually born in London.

proper noun

Some nouns are called COLLECTIVE NOUNS.

A collective noun describes a group of people or things as a whole.

collective noun

common/ concrete noun common/ concrete noun

The flock of birds flew high over the village.

collective noun

proper noun

The team won the Middleton Cup for the second year.

common/ concrete noun

There are many unusual COLLECTIVE NOUNS to describe groups of animals.

A swarm of bees.

A school of fish.

A knot of snakes.

A murder of crows.

Remember

Words can belong to different WORD CLASSES. It depends on what job they are doing in the sentence.

common /

Last night I went to the theatre to see a play called 'The Double'.

verb

When I was little, I loved to play with my train set.

SUMMARY

- > Nouns describe things, objects, feelings
- > There are 4 types of noun

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- > Proper Nouns have capital letters
- > Collective Nouns describe a group
- > Some words do different jobs. It depends on the sentence