

The Great Race

A **proper noun** is the name of a person, place or thing. *Mary*, *Darwin* and *December* are examples of proper nouns. A proper noun begins with a capital letter.

When two or more people talk to each other it is called a **dialogue**. Plays have dialogue between characters.



Play

The Great Race

Characters:

- Fred, a fish
- Pete, a platypus
- Lucy, a lizard

Scene 1: The challenge

Fred: Who wants to race to Rocky Island?

Pete: I will. I'm a great swimmer.

Lucy: Me too. I'll beat you both.

Fred: Don't be silly, Lucy!
You can't even swim.



Scene 2: The race

Pete: Ready. Set. Go!

Lucy: I'll make a boat out of a leaf. I will win the race.

Scene 3: The winner

Lucy: Hi, Fred. Hi, Pete. I told you I'd win!





1 Circle the proper nouns in the play.

2 Write the characters' names from the play. Remember to use capital letters for proper nouns.







3 Write a sentence of dialogue that Pete says in the play and a sentence that Lucy says.

4 Find the proper nouns in the word search.

Adelaide March Sara Jason Bendigo Arun

A	d	e	l	a	i	d	e
r	o	g	i	d	n	e	B
u	p	S	a	r	a	q	a
n	J	a	s	o	n	t	i
M	a	r	c	h	a	f	m
t	s	a	b	f	v	h	o





5 Tick the sentences that are examples of dialogue. Remember that dialogue is when two or more people talk to one another.

a I am not at school today because it is Saturday.

b Caterina: Simon, can I have my bag please?

c Kevin: Mum, I am wearing my red jumper.

d Three pigs walked across the farmyard.



6 Circle the proper nouns.

today

Pete

hello

Monday

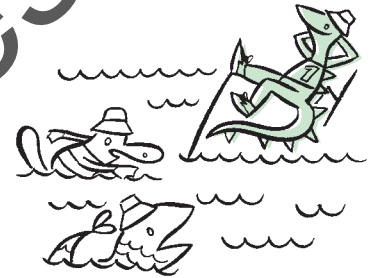
go

Fred

Lucy

Rocky Island

school



7 Write a proper noun for each category.

An example of each has been done for you.

Days of the week	Months of the year	Planets in the solar system
Monday	January	Mercury

8 Rewrite the sentences using capital letters for proper nouns.

a susan had her piano exam in may.

b dominic sent a letter from new south wales to a friend.



c michael's birthday is in the month of september.



9 Write your own short play. Remember to use dialogue and proper nouns.

Play title: _____

Characters:

Scene 1:

Scene 2:

Sample pages

My Cousins in China

A **simple sentence** is a sentence with one main idea or message. This is a simple sentence: *I am going home.*

A **proper noun** is the name of a person, place or thing.

Capital letters are used at the beginning of a sentence and for proper nouns.



Diary

Saturday 29 April

Today I spoke to Mitch and Ruby. They are my cousins. They went to live in China in February. I spoke to them through a video call on the computer. It was exciting to see them and speak to them.

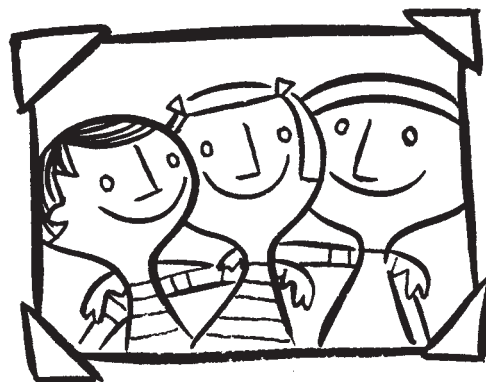
Ruby told me they went to a zoo in China. They saw a huge panda!

Mitch said that China and Australia are very different. He likes living there. So does Ruby.

I told Mitch and Ruby that I miss them. They miss me, too.

Sunday 30 April

Today I wrote a letter to Mitch and Ruby. I added a photo of the three of us together. I will post my letter tomorrow.





1 Circle the capital letters in the diary.

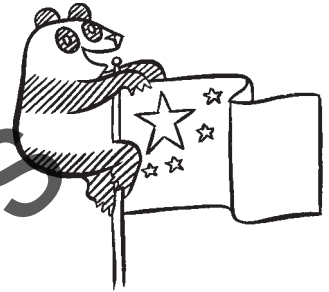
2 Write three proper nouns from the diary.

3 Write the first word from each sentence.

a Ruby told me they went to a zoo in China.

b They saw a huge panda! _____

c Mitch said that China and Australia are very different.



4 Find the proper nouns in the word search.

Beijing April Bruce Yoshi Broome China

B	e	i	j	i	n	g	e
r	l	A	p	r	i	l	w
u	p	Y	o	s	h	i	a
c	a	t	c	r	a	z	i
e	B	r	o	o	m	e	m
y	d	a	n	i	h	C	k



-  **5 Write a proper noun for each category. Use the words in the box to help you. Some examples have been done for you.**

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Aiden

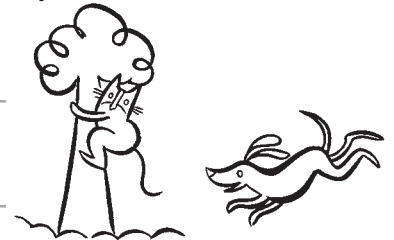
Queensland
Eiffel Tower

Mrs Smith
South Australia

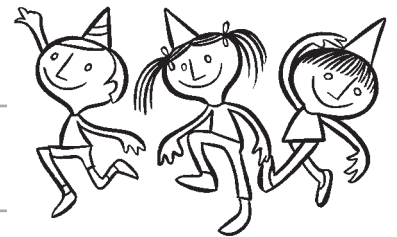
People	Places	Things
Laura	Alice Springs	Pacific Ocean

- 6 Rewrite each sentence as two simple sentences. Remember to use capital letters and full stops correctly.**

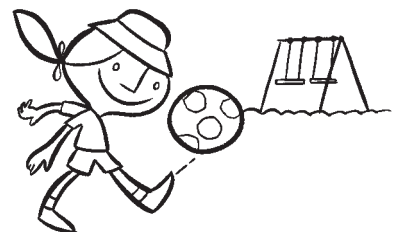
- a** I took my dog to the park and he chased a cat up a tree.



- b** I went to a party and danced all afternoon.



- c** First I played soccer and then I played on the playground.



7 Write one simple sentence for each picture. Remember to use capital letters at the start of each sentence and for proper nouns.



8 Write your own diary entry for a weekend. Include at least three proper nouns. Remember to use capital letters in the correct places.

Saturday

Sample Pages

Sunday

The Koala Trail



A **proper noun** is the name of a person, place or thing. *Chan, Australia* and *Yarra River* are examples of proper nouns. A proper noun begins with a capital letter.

The **past tense** is used to write about things that have already happened. *I went to the shop. The dog barked.*

Personal Recount

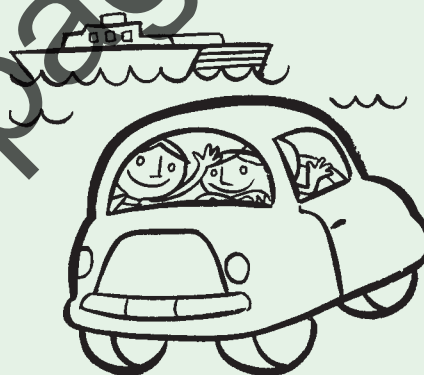
A Day at Raymond Island

During the school holidays, I went to Raymond Island. I went with my sister Caitlin and my grandparents. To get there we drove to a town called Paynesville. We caught a ferry. The ferry runs all day, taking people, cars, buses and bikes to and from the island.

On the island we went for a walk on a koala trail. I counted nine koalas. Most of them were asleep, but Caitlin saw one eating gum leaves.

After lunch, we caught the ferry back to the mainland. Then we drove to Bairnsdale where we were staying for the night.

We had a fantastic time!



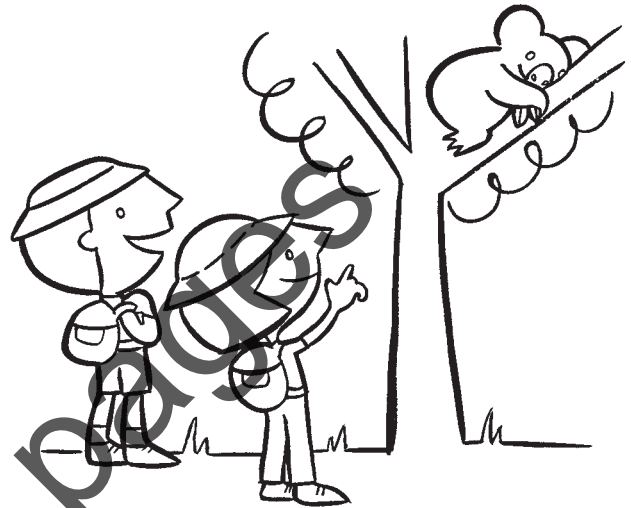


1 Circle the proper nouns in the personal recount.

2 Write the proper nouns that are places from the personal recount.

3 Underline the words that are written in the past tense.

went	go
walked	walk
stop	stopped
drove	drive
catch	caught
make	made
sat	sit



4 Find the proper nouns in the word search.

Rome Hobart Bulla Japan London Spain

B	r	z	s	e	m	o	R
u	H	o	b	a	r	t	s
l	n	n	a	p	a	J	p
l	L	o	n	d	o	n	s
a	o	n	i	a	p	S	t
s	i	l	t	m	n	u	r





5 Draw a line to match the word to its past tense form.
The first one has been done for you.

- | | |
|----------------|---------|
| a run | saw |
| b eat | danced |
| c see | ran |
| d drink | cleaned |
| e dance | ate |
| f clean | drank |



6 Circle a word in each sentence that shows it is written in the past tense. The first one has been done for you.

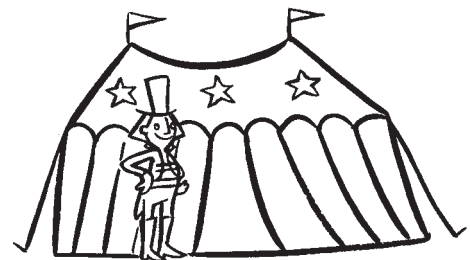
- a** I watched the basketball game.
- b** My sister played chess with me.
- c** I ate dinner with my grandma.
- d** You were the best singer in the concert!
- e** After dinner I went home.



7 Fill in the gaps with the correct past tense word. Use the words in the box to help you. The first one has been done for you.

juggled walked dropped
~~went~~ saw did broke

Last week I went to the circus.



I _____ a clown. He _____ some plates.

He _____ the plates and they _____.

An acrobat _____ backflips and _____

along a tightrope high up in the tent.



8 Write a short personal recount about something fun that you did. Use the past tense and remember to use capital letters correctly. Here are some topics you could write about.

- A day at the zoo
- A day at the beach
- A day at the park



Sample pages

9 Raymond Island is off the coast of Victoria, Australia. Find it on an online map.