Fitzgerald

Grammar Exercises

Identifying Common Nouns and Proper Nouns

and

Capitalizing Proper Nouns

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| Common | Proper |
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2. The schubert theater has closed.

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| Common | Proper |
|  | Schubert Theater |

3. My family went to toronto, montreal, and niagara falls last summer.

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| Common | Proper |
| family | TorontoMontrealNiagara Falls |

4. It was dr. peters who dug the first shovelful.

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| shovelful | Dr. Peters |

5. She was an employee of coca-cola bottling company.

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| employee | Coca-Cola Bottling Company |

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| Common | Proper |
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| person | avenue | river | national park |

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| school |  | West Middle SchoolMichigan State University |
| car |  | MustangCamaro |
| railroad |  | B&O RailroadUnion pacific Railroad |
| person |  | Queen ElizabethKing GeorgeDak Prescott |
| building |  | The Empire State BuildingThe Eiffel Tower |
| country |  | MadagascarAustralia |
| state |  | North DakotaWashington |
| avenue |  | Woodward AvenueMichigan Avenue, ChicagoChamps-Elysees, ParisBourbon Street, New Orleans |
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| magazine |  | *Time**Sports Illustrated**National Geographic* |
| newspaper |  | *The New York Times**The Washington Post* *The Daily Mail**The Detroit Free Press* |
| river |  | Mississippi RiverSaint Lawrence RiverNile River |
| ocean |  | Atlantic OceanPacific Ocean |
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