

Common and Proper Nouns

Decide whether the underlined word is a common noun, a proper noun, or a verb. Mark your answer on the answer sheet.

1. Who is your favorite cereal character or “mascot”?
A common B proper C verb
2. I have always liked Tony the Tiger from Kellogg’s *Frosted Flakes*®.
A common B proper C verb
3. Many of these cereal characters are still around, but some lost their jobs years ago.
A common B proper C verb
4. Some characters disappear when their cereals are no longer made.
A common B proper C verb
5. A character named Quisp was part of a cereal of the same name.
A common B proper C verb
6. Quisp® cereal was difficult to find by the mid-1970s.
A common B proper C verb
7. But in the late 1990s, people began buying the cereal over the Internet.
A common B proper C verb
8. Many cereal characters that were born in the mid-1900s are still with us today.
A common B proper C verb
9. Some examples of characters include Cap’n Crunch, Count Chocula, and Lucky C. Leprechaun from Lucky Charms® cereal.
A common B proper C verb
10. Perhaps the most popular cereal trio is Snap, Crackle, and Pop from Kellogg’s *Rice Krispies*®.
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11. Did you know that the character Snap was on his own for about eight years?
A common B proper C verb
12. Then people at Kellogg’s thought Snap might need some company, and that’s when Crackle and Pop came into the picture!
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13. Do you remember the Trix rabbit who could never eat a bowl of *Trix*®?
A common B proper C verb
14. You can still see Sonny the cuckoo bird on boxes of General Mills’ *Cocoa Puffs*®.
A common B proper C verb
15. I also like the *Honey Nut Cheerios*® BuzzBee, a creation of General Mills, too.
A common B proper C verb
16. But my favorite of all cereal characters is definitely the Dig’Em Frog!
A common B proper C verb
17. Kellogg’s let Dig’Em go for a while, but fans were angry.
A common B proper C verb
18. Dig’Em got his job back in 1987, and you can find him on boxes of Smacks® today!
A common B proper C verb
19. One character who never got his job back was the Fruit Brute, a werewolf.
A common B proper C verb
20. *Fruit Brute*® was part of the monster cereal group (think *Count Chocula*®), but the cereal was discontinued in 1974.
A common B proper C verb