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| **Grammar Masters: Teachers’ Notes**  **Topic: Common Nouns** |
| Common nouns are the names of general people, places or things, for example ‘tables’, ‘girl’ and ‘house’. They will not start with a capital letter because they are just general names for objects or things- rather than specific names. They will only start with a capital letter if they come at the start of a sentence for example:  Girls also like to play football.  The capital letter is only used because the common noun is at the start of a sentence.  Other than that common nouns can be found in sentences without one, for example:  The boy threw the ball.  The words ‘boy’ and ‘ball’ are non-specific names for an object, or a person. |

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