

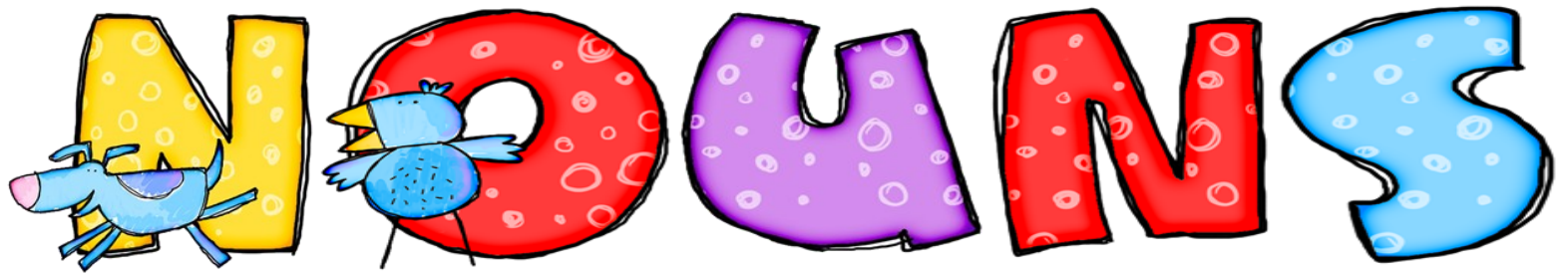
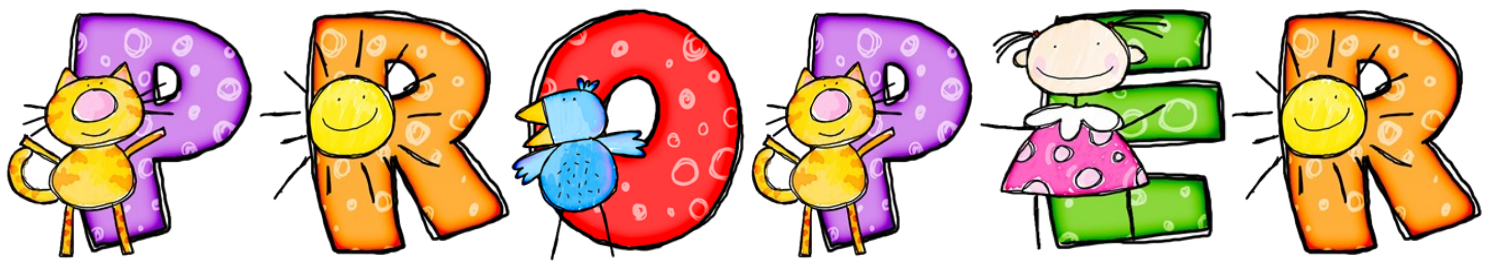


A contraction is a short way of saying and writing two words.

An apostrophe takes the place of letters that have been left out.

## Examples:

can not — can't      she is — she's      has not — hasn't  
they will — they'll      I am — I'm      we will — we'll  
who is — who's      were not — weren't



Proper nouns are special names for people, places, animals and things. They begin with capital letters.

Days of the week, months of the year and holidays are proper nouns — and begin with a capital letter.

### Examples:

Ms. Bristow  
Trevion  
Tucker  
Allison  
Dr. Lee

Bluff Falls  
Missouri  
St. Louis  
Malden  
Six Flags

December  
Friday  
Monday  
Easter  
Labor Day