

Proper Nouns B

13e. Capitalize proper nouns.

(2) Capitalize geographical names.

EXAMPLES the **G**ulf of **M**exico the **S**outhwest **P**rince **W**illiam **F**orest
Fifty-**f**irst **S**treet [The second part of a hyphenated street number is not capitalized.]

(3) Capitalize the names of planets, stars, constellations, and other heavenly bodies.

EXAMPLES **N**eptune **P**olaris **G**reat **N**ebraska

EXERCISE A For each item, write a *C* next to each common noun and a *P* next to each proper noun.

Example *P* 1. Cassiopeia

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| _____ 1. the Milky Way | _____ 6. Ursa Minor |
| _____ 2. a constellation | _____ 7. the large continent |
| _____ 3. the Indian Ocean | _____ 8. Mediterranean Sea |
| _____ 4. a beautiful ocean | _____ 9. a still, silent lake |
| _____ 5. the southwest peak | _____ 10. Pikes Peak |

EXERCISE B Circle all letters that should be capitalized in the following sentences. Draw a slash (/) through any incorrectly capitalized letters.

Example 1. A ~~C~~onstellation called the southern cross appears on australia's flag.

- Does your Uncle live in a suburb of washington, d.c., or in the city itself?
- Reginald says to turn left on Thirty-Seventh street.
- The only constellation Shannon can recognize immediately is orion.
- The main business district of Omaha, nebraska, lies near the missouri river.
- The freshwater Lakes that empty into this river are known as the great lakes.
- Sharing its name with a mythological god, pluto is the smallest planet in our solar system.
- A certain species of wild monkey has been living on the famous rock of gibraltar for hundreds of years.
- To go from austin to san antonio, he gets on interstate 35 and starts driving south.
- My cousins have lived on peachtree lane in atlanta, georgia, for three years.
- The largest ice cap in iceland, vatna glacier, covers more than three thousand square miles.