

1 Masculine, feminine, common-gender and neuter nouns

LOOK AND LEARN

Masculine nouns are words for men, boys and male animals.



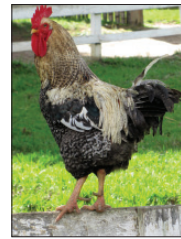
king



man



lion



cock

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masculine nouns for men

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masculine nouns for male animals

Feminine nouns are words for women, girls and female animals.



queen



woman



lioness



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feminine nouns for women

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feminine nouns for female animals

Common-gender nouns are words for both males and females.

doctor

student

children

singer

Neuter nouns are words for things.

table

television

building

park

WARM-UP

Put the **nouns** in the correct boxes

actress	garden	dancer	witch
waterfall	brother	sun	fireman
engineer	bride	hostess	headmaster
parent	wizard	teacher	lamp

Masculine

Feminine

Common-gender

Neuter

_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

WORK ON IT

Find the pairs of **masculine nouns** and **feminine nouns** in the box and put them in the correct columns.

goose

nephew

dog

drake

bitch

vixen

aunt

gander

uncle

duck

niece

fox

Masculine noun

Feminine noun

CHALLENGE YOURSELF

*Fill in each blank with the correct **common-gender noun**.*

1. Young boys and girls are _____.
2. A headmaster or a headmistress is a _____.
3. Rams and ewes are _____.
4. Kings and queens are _____.
5. Policemen and policewomen are _____.
6. A father or a mother is a _____.
7. Stags and does are _____.
8. Bulls and cows are _____.
9. A stallion or a mare is a _____.
10. Cocks and hens are _____.