

# UNIT 3

## Nouns



**Nouns** are  
naming words.

There are several types of **nouns**.

Most **nouns** are the names of things you can see and touch.

There are **common nouns**.



a **tree**

There are **proper nouns**.



**Mrs Ho**

There are **collective nouns**.



a **fleet** of ships

There are **compound nouns**.



a **teapot**

**Abstract nouns** are the names of things you cannot touch, taste, smell or hear.

They are the names of:

|                  |            |            |               |
|------------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| <b>qualities</b> | kindness   | generosity | determination |
| <b>feelings</b>  | friendship | hatred     | envy          |
| <b>times</b>     | dusk       | evening    | birthday      |

### Focus

Say the *abstract noun* in each sentence.

- 1 The sailors were in great danger as the sea grew rougher.
- 2 If you use all of your strength, you can lift that box.
- 3 I think it takes great courage to go skydiving.
- 4 When darkness had fallen, they crept out of the camp.
- 5 They stared at the beauty of the mountain lake.
- 6 Honesty is always best.

