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1. The house is on Main Street. (1 common, 1 proper)
2. Karen played with her sister. (1 common, 1 proper)
3. Fran went to Furry Friends Pet Shop. (2 proper)
4. The car stopped quickly. (1 common)
5. Morgan Boulevard is a busy street. (1 proper, 1 common)
6. Michael and his friend chased the kitten. (1 proper, 2 common)
7. Did you see Kevin at the party? (1 proper, 1 common)
8. Laura looked at the stars through her telescope. (1 proper, 2 common)
9. There were no yellow markers in the box. (2 common)
10. Have you ever eaten a cheeseburger at Burger Planet? (1 common, 1 proper)

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Part 2: Write the word common next to each common noun.
Re-write each proper noun correctly.

11. alice smith _____
12. carpenter _____
13. dog _____
14. max _____
15. book _____
16. mayberry library _____
17. jupiter _____
18. planet _____
19. restaurant _____
20. doug's diner _____



Part 3: Write the proper noun for each common noun.

examples: author - E.B. White

singer - Carrie Underwood

21. book _____
22. country _____
23. school _____
24. holiday _____
25. athlete _____

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Plural Nouns

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