

Identify Nouns



The **mother** and **father** have two **children**.

A **noun** names a person or people.

Try It Together

Read the list of words. Draw a picture to show each noun.
How are the nouns alike?

Nouns
man
baby
sister
teachers



Making Connections Learn more about **family celebrations**.

Genre A **photo essay** is nonfiction. It tells about people and places.



A Family Celebrates Chinese New Year

by Anna Goy



Mom and Dad cook a big **meal**.



The kids **help** decorate their **home**.



Then they watch a **parade**.

parade a long line of people
marching down the street



Happy New Year! ❖

Compare Author's Purpose

Authors have different purposes for writing.

"Families in Many Cultures"



Families celebrate holidays.

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to share information

"A Family Celebrates Chinese New Year"



The kids help decorate their home.

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to tell about a family celebration

Tell another purpose the authors had for writing their texts.

Talk Together

Think about what you read and learned.
What makes a family?

Plural Nouns

A **noun** names one person, place, or thing.

box



home



A **plural noun** names more than one.

boxes



homes



Grammar Rules Plural Nouns

Add **s** to most nouns to show more than one.

Add **es** to nouns that end in **ss**, **x**, **ch**, and **sh** to show more than one.

Read a Sentence

Why do the nouns have **s** or **es**?

We had **sandwiches** for our **meals**.

Write a Sentence

Write a sentence to tell about one of your family's meals. Use a plural noun. Read it to a partner.