

Chapter 2. Nouns

Exercise 1. Give abstract nouns:

Words	Abstract Nouns	Words	Abstract Nouns
1. hate	_____	14. fly	_____
2. receive	_____	15. give	_____
3. hero	_____	16. generous	_____
4. simple	_____	17. accurate	_____
5. choose	_____	18. false	_____
6. patient	_____	19. urgent	_____
7. repeat	_____	20. laugh	_____
8. advise	_____	21. shake	_____
9. do	_____	22. excellent	_____
10. coward	_____	23. invent	_____
11. brief	_____	24. young	_____
12. appoint	_____	25. owner	_____
13. just	_____		

Exercise 2. Fill in the blanks with **abstract nouns** formed from the words given in the brackets:

1. We were dismayed to see the _____ caused by the earthquake. (destroy)
2. The commander expected total _____ from his soldiers. (obey)
3. Whose _____ is it to maintain law and order in the city? (responsible)
4. The _____ of the public transport system in Singapore is amazing. (efficient)
5. Her _____ to accept the post of the Principal came as a surprise to us. (refuse)
6. She fainted but regained _____ after a few moments. (conscious)
7. I was wearing a sweater for extra _____. (warm)
8. Do you expect your _____ to be accepted? (resign)
9. The _____ that her necklace might have been stolen greatly disturbed her. (think)
10. A genuine error can be pardoned but not _____. (neglect)
11. His _____ in God gave him hope during his difficult times. (believe)
12. I was impressed by the _____ of her vision. (clear)
13. The flowers at the annual flower show were a beautiful _____. (see)
14. The two sides have finally reached an _____. (agree)
15. Gandhiji toured the _____ and _____ of the country. (long, broad)

Exercise 3. Complete the following phrases with suitable words:

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| 1. an album of _____ | 11. a clutch of _____ |
| 2. a stack of _____ | 12. a fleet of _____ |
| 3. a brood of _____ | 13. a bench of _____ |
| 4. a set of _____ | 14. a school of _____ |
| 5. a chain of _____ | 15. a board of _____ |
| 6. a horde of _____ | 16. a cluster of _____ |
| 7. a team of _____ | 17. a drove of _____ |
| 8. a chest of _____ | 18. a gang of _____ |
| 9. a flight of _____ | 19. an assembly of _____ |
| 10. a sheaf of _____ | 20. a litter of _____ |

corn	books	stairs	dacoits	chickens
oxen	stars	whales	puppies	drawers
eggs	stamps	cattle	savages	directors
tools	events	people	aircraft	magistrates