

CONCRETE NOUNS - Memo

A piece of concrete is cement that has hardened and allows a person to walk on it. We can see that concrete slab, we can touch it, we could lick (taste) it, we cannot hear it but we can hear people walking on it and you can smell it, although I don't think it has much of a smell.

So a **CONCRETE NOUN** is a noun that is tangible, so you can see, touch, taste, hear and smell it. Remember, you might not be able to tick every sense box, but it is still a **CONCRETE NOUN**.

Using a ruler, underline the CONCRETE NOUNS in the sentences:

1. I sat on the **stoep** with my **dad**.
2. The **bridge** of the **castle** collapsed.
3. I saw a **bear** in the **woods**.
4. The **dolphins** swam in the **ocean**.
5. I wore a beautiful **dress** to the **dance**.
6. We had to wear a **uniform** to **school**.
7. I painted the **fence** white.



ABSTRACT NOUNS - Memo

ABSTRACT NOUNS name intangible things, so we cannot touch, taste, see, smell nor hear them, like feelings, emotions and ideas.

When dealing with emotions and ideas, e.g. happiness, anger, friendship, try saying: "I am full of ____." E.g. I am full of anger. I am full of love.

Neatly circle the ABSTRACT NOUNS in the following sentences:

8. It is good to show **kindness** to someone who needs help.
9. It is always best to tell the **truth**.
10. It was a time of **sadness** when my puppy was sick.
11. I felt **encouragement** when I received my report.
12. The test gives Leo **anxiety**.
13. Lara had great **trust** in the policeman.
14. He takes **pride** in his job.

CONCLUSION: **CONCRETE AND ABSTRACT NOUNS** are both nouns. **CONCRETE NOUNS** are physical, and can be seen, touched, tasted, heard or felt. **ABSTRACT NOUNS** are intangible so cannot be seen, touched, tasted nor heard, but it can be felt, like anger and love, as they are a sense of feelings, emotions and ideas.