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# Abstract or Concrete?

A **concrete noun** is something you can detect with your five senses—you can hear, see, smell, touch, or taste it. An **abstract noun**, such as “pride,” cannot be detected with your senses.

**Directions:** Read the sentences below from the Your World section of this issue. Then, decide if the boldface word is an abstract or a concrete noun. Write an **A** in the blank for abstract or a **C** for concrete.

- \_\_\_ 1. Have you ever seen a **plane** zooming hundreds of feet over your head?
- \_\_\_ 2. British **newlyweds** Katie Hodgson and Darren McWalters love an adventure.
- \_\_\_ 3. Looks like these two were a match made in the **heavens**.
- \_\_\_ 4. Each **story** is only 366 words long!
- \_\_\_ 5. Though Brown didn't explore the South Pole, he writes about the sense of **discovery** he felt while reading about someone who did.
- \_\_\_ 6. Does the Twilight Saga book series for **teens** have you thirsting for more?
- \_\_\_ 7. But their vampire **enemies** aren't so nice.
- \_\_\_ 8. The winner this year was Tom Gizzard, who has more in common with the famous author than just his **beard**.
- \_\_\_ 9. The look-alike contest was part of a larger festival celebrating the **life** and work of the American novelist and short-story writer.
- \_\_\_ 10. While working on a site in London, England, **builders** recently struck literary history.

## WRITE NOW!

Write a paragraph about something that makes you happy. After you finish, underline the concrete nouns and circle the abstract ones.