

Le nom propre avec un grand N
La majuscule est-elle synonyme de nom propre ?

Exemplier :

■ Proper nouns

- a) Velutha wasn't supposed to be a carpenter.
- b) He said that he couldn't bear to think of them spending **a lonely, desolate Christmas** in England.

■ Proper names

- c) She remembers the taste of the tomato sandwiches [...] on **the Madras Mail** to Madras.
- d) **Humbling** was a nice word, Rahel thought.
- e) So **Small God** laughed a hollow laugh, and skipped away cheerfully.

■ Descriptions dénominatives

- f) Ammu asked for **the Station House Officer** and when she was shown into his office, she told him that there had been a terrible mistake and that she wanted to make a statement.
- g) When they fought, Estha called Rahel **a Refugee Stick Insect**.

■ Autre

- h) After they were divorced, Rahel worked for a few months as a waitress in an **Indian** restaurant in New York.
- i) In those early amorphous years when memory had only just begun, when life was full of **Beginnings** and **no Ends** and **Everything** was **For Ever**.
- j) In her mind, she kept an organized, careful account of **Things She'd Done For People**, and **Things People Hadn't Done For Her**.
- k) Ammu explained to Rahel and Estha that people always loved best what they *Identified* most with. Rahel supposed that she **Identified** most with Christopher Plummer who acted as Captain von Trapp. Chacko didn't **Identify** with him at all and called him Captain von Clapp Trapp.
- l) *An average student*, or *Satisfactory work* were the usual comments that his teacher wrote in **his Annual Progress Reports**.

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