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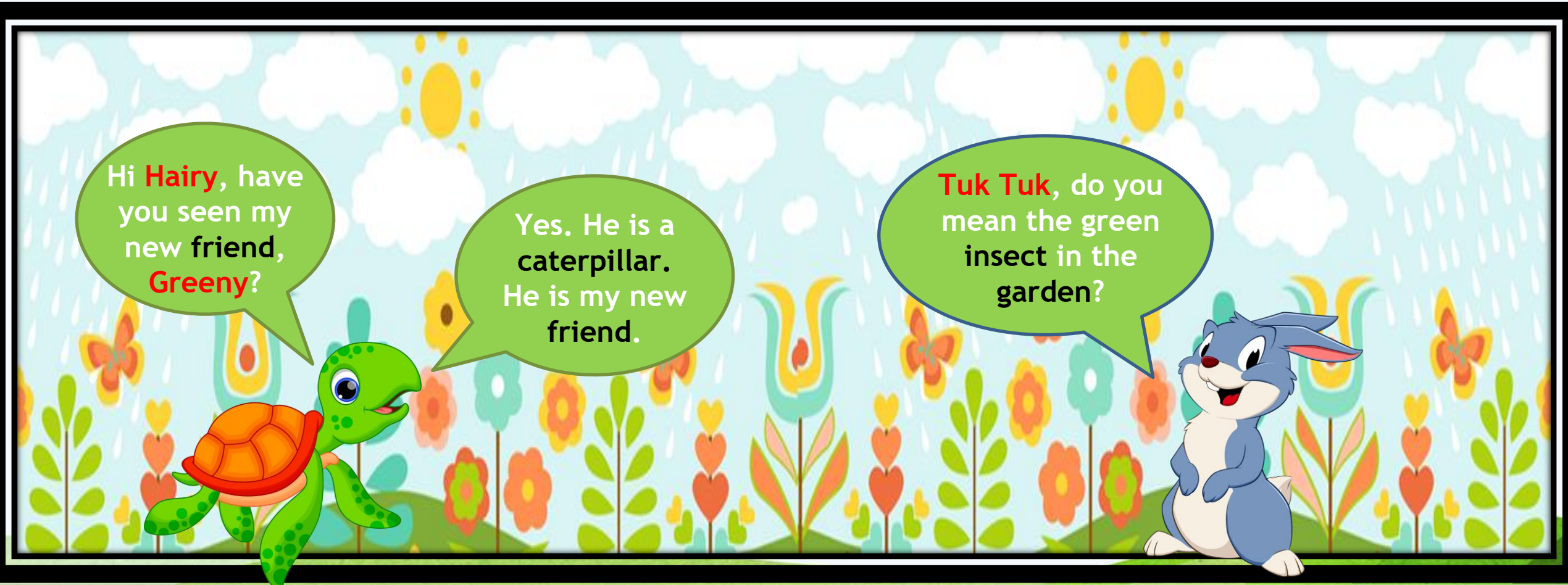
Read what Tuk-Tuk and Hairy are saying. The words in *red* are proper nouns and the words in *black* are common nouns.



Common Nouns

Names that are not special names of any person, place, thing or animal are called common nouns.

Examples: clock, cake, dog, pencil

They don’t point to a special person, place or animal.









Proper Nouns

The words Tuk Tuk, Hairy and Greeny are special names.

Nouns that are special names of people, places and animals are called proper naming words.

Examples: Mira, Anil, Jo Jo, Mumbai, etc.



Remember: A proper noun always begins with a capital letter.

Remember

Now, read a few more examples in sentences of common and proper nouns. The proper nouns are in red and common nouns are in blue.

1. Zubin is my brother.
2. I am going to Jaipur tomorrow.
3. Uncle Sumit visited us during the holidays.
4. Bangalore has beautiful parks.
5. Chilika is a large lake in Odisha.



Your Turn To Try

Read the paragraph. Underline the proper nouns and circle the common nouns.

Silly Hans was a silly little boy who did things without thinking.

One day Peggy, his mother asked him to buy a chicken from the market.

He bought one but put it in his pocket instead of holding it. On the way, he met Mr. Podger and Mr. Brown. He began chatting with them.

By the time he reached home, the chicken had jumped out of the pocket and had run away.

