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GROUP UP OR NOT?

A **collective noun** is ONE word that names a whole **GROUP** of people, animals, or things. Read each word. Circle the fist 🦊 if it is a group word. Circle the open hand 🖐 if it is not.



Hero power move: Hold your hand open wide. Lots of fingers, lots of things. Now squeeze it into a fist: ONE group! GROUP UP!



swarm



bee



team



ships



bouquet



banana



crew



wolves



Your turn! Draw a group of animals and write its group word: a _____ of _____.

a group word:

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MISSION 1: SAVE THE ANIMALS

Mister Scatter scattered the animals! Look at each picture. Pick a group word from the word bank and write it in the gap.



Word bank: colony flock herd litter pack pride school swarm

Memory trick: Lions are proud, so they are a pride! A litter is a group of baby animals born together.



a _____ of bees



a _____ of fish



a _____ of sheep



a _____ of birds



a _____ of lions



a _____ of wolves



a _____ of ants



a _____ of kittens

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MISSION 2: SAVE THE PEOPLE

Draw a line from each group of people to the group word that names them.



People

Group word



players



musicians



singers



dancers



actors



soldiers



sailors



judges

army

troupe

team

panel

band

crew

choir

cast

Bonus: Actors can also be a c_____. Judges can also be a b_____.

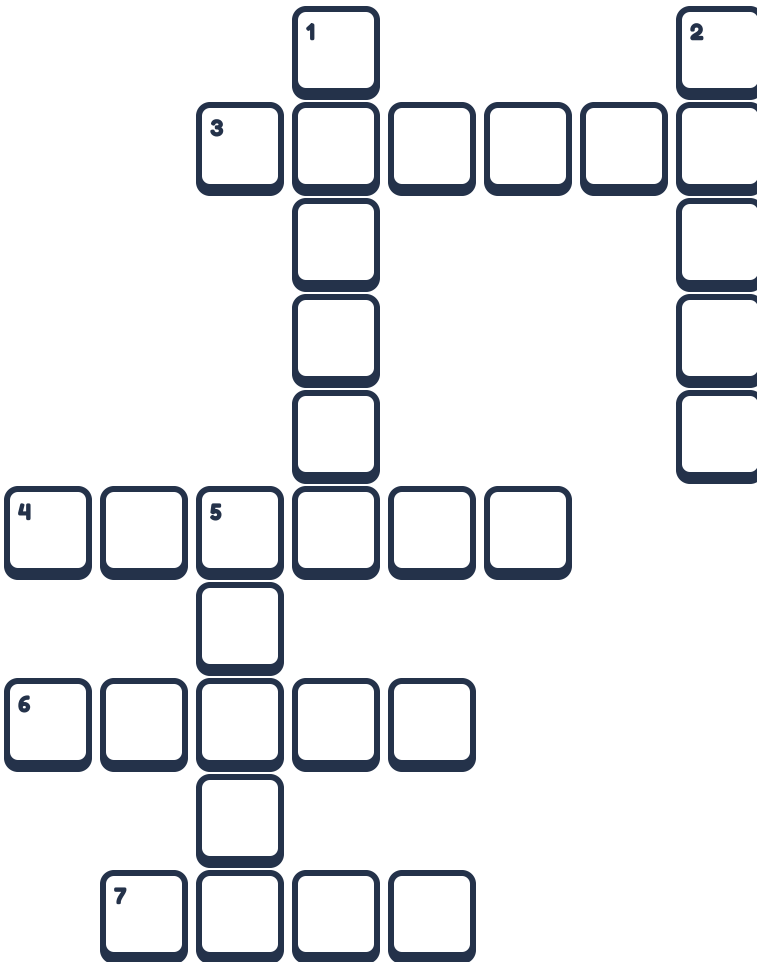


MISSION 3: SAVE THE THINGS

Read each clue and look at its picture. Write one letter in each box. Use the word bank!



Word bank: FOREST · DECK · BUNDLE · RANGE · BUSHEL · FLEET · BUNCH



1 down · 6 letters
Sticks tied up together. A _____ of sticks.



2 down · 5 letters
Ships sailing together. A _____ of ships.



3 across · 6 letters
Apples in a basket. A _____ of apples.



4 across · 6 letters
Lots and lots of trees. A _____ of trees.



5 down · 5 letters
Mountains in a row. A _____ of mountains.



6 across · 5 letters
Bananas growing together. A _____ of bananas.



7 across · 4 letters
Cards all together. A _____ of cards.

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SCATTER'S HIDEOUT

Mister Scatter hid five group words! Read each clue and write the word first. Then find it and color it in. Words go across → or down ↓ only.



J	R	B	E	N	C	H	T
G	G	A	N	G	C	M	I
H	U	A	T	A	O	S	J
O	B	I	R	K	M	V	H
P	O	R	O	H	P	S	H
A	A	N	O	Y	A	V	J
B	R	A	P	G	N	P	W
V	D	N	C	I	Y	H	W



Warriors marching together. A _____ of warriors.



Directors meeting together. A _____ of directors.



Robbers sneaking together. A _____ of robbers.



Judges sitting together. Not panel, the other one! A _____ of judges.



Actors in a play. Not cast, the other one! A _____ of actors.

Stuck? Here are the words, upside down: troop · board · gang · bench · company



THINK LIKE A HERO



Mister Scatter is trying to trick you! Decide if he is right. Then explain why. Heroes always explain!



"Bees is a collective noun, because it means lots of bees!"

Step 1. Is Mister Scatter right? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Step 2. Why?

Step 3. How sure are you? 😞 ☐ 😊 ☐ 😄 ☐



"A litter of kittens. A litter of puppies. *Litter* works for both!"

Step 1. Is Mister Scatter right? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Step 2. Why?

Step 3. How sure are you? 😞 ☐ 😊 ☐ 😄 ☐



"The delegation walked into the big hall. The collective noun in that sentence is *hall*!"

Step 1. Is Mister Scatter right? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Step 2. Why?

Step 3. How sure are you? 😞 ☐ 😊 ☐ 😄 ☐



"A fleet is only for ships. You can never have a fleet of cars!"

Step 1. Is Mister Scatter right? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Step 2. Why?

Step 3. How sure are you? 😞 ☐ 😊 ☐ 😄 ☐



HERO RACE

A game for 2 to 4 players. You need a die (or number cards 1 to 6) and a coin or button for each player.



20 finish	19 slide to 12	18 question card	17	16
11 up to 17	12	13	14 question card	15 slide to 8
10 question card	9	8	7 up to 13	6
1 start	2	3 up to 9	4	5 question card

How to play: Roll and move. Land on 🪜, 🐍 or ⚡? Another player reads you a question card.
 🪜 Answer right to climb up. 🐍 Answer right to stay safe, or slide down. ⚡ Answer right to roll again. First to the 🏆 wins!



QUESTION CARDS

Cut out the cards and put them face down in a pile. The answer is printed upside down at the bottom.



⚡ Question 1

Which word names a group of cows?

flock · herd · deck

Answer: herd

⚡ Question 2

Which word names a group of puppies?

litter · crew · bunch

Answer: litter

⚡ Question 3

Circle the collective noun: The pack of thieves ran away.

Answer: pack

⚡ Question 4

Circle the collective noun: Our soccer team won the big game.

Answer: team

⚡ Question 5

Circle the collective noun: We saw a herd of elephants at the river.

Answer: herd

⚡ Question 6

Which word names a group of grapes?

pride · bunch · swarm

Answer: bunch

⚡ Question 7

Which word names a group of delegates?

delegation · army · deck

Answer: delegation

⚡ Question 8

Actors are a cast. What other group word did we learn for actors?

colony · company · range

Answer: company

⚡ Question 9

Judges are a panel. What other group word did we learn for judges?

bench · bunch · herd

Answer: bench

⚡ Question 10

Cars and trucks together are a...

forest · fleet · flock

Answer: fleet

⚡ Question 11

Circle the collective noun: A flock of pigeons flew over the park.

Answer: flock

⚡ Question 12

Which word is a collective noun?

sailor · crew · boat

Answer: crew

⚡ Question 13

Which word names flowers held together?

bouquet · bushel · bundle

Answer: bouquet

⚡ Question 14

Which word names a group of singers?

band · choir · gang

Answer: choir

⚡ Question 15

Circle the collective noun: The army marched down the street.

Answer: army

⚡ Question 16

Which word fits? A ____ of cards.

pack · pride · troupe

Answer: pack

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COLLECTIVE CREW HERO!



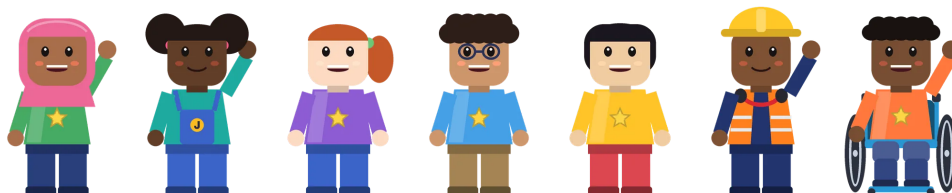
won all 7 power bolts and grouped up **Group City**

A collective noun is ONE word that names a WHOLE group of people, animals, or things. A team of players. A pride of lions. A bunch of bananas. GROUP UP!

How do group words feel now? Color one.

☐ I need more practice ☐ I am getting there ☐ I can teach it!

Date _____ Signed _____



ANSWER KEY

1. Group Up or Not?

- 👉 **Group words:** swarm, team, bouquet, crew
 🖐️ **Not group words:** bee, ships (group word: fleet), banana (group word: bunch), wolves (group word: pack)

2. Save the Animals

a swarm of bees, a school of fish, a herd of sheep, a flock of birds, a pride of lions, a pack of wolves, a colony of ants, a litter of kittens

3. Save the People

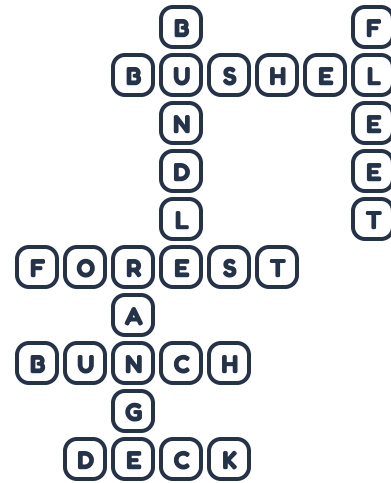
a team of players, a band of musicians, a choir of singers, a troupe of dancers, a cast of actors, an army of soldiers, a crew of sailors, a panel of judges. Bonus: company, bench.

6. Think Like a Hero

1. No. Bees just means more than one bee. The group word is swarm.
2. Yes. A litter is a group of baby animals born together.
3. No. Delegation is the collective noun: one word for a whole group of delegates.
4. No. Cars and trucks together are a fleet of vehicles too.

Step 3 (how sure?) has no right answer. A child who is right but "not sure" needs one more practice round. A child who is wrong but "very sure" has a mix-up worth talking about. The most common mix-up: a plural (bees) is not a collective noun (swarm).

4. Save the Things



1 bundle, 2 fleet, 3 bush, 4 forest, 5 range, 6 bunch, 7 deck

5. Scatter's Hideout

troop, board, gang, bench, company



All 30 group words in the video

Animals: swarm, school, herd, flock, pride, pack, colony, litter. People: team, band, choir, troupe, cast, company, army, troop, crew, panel, bench, board, delegation, pack (thieves), gang. Things: deck (or pack) of cards, fleet, range, bushel, bunch, bouquet, forest, bundle.