

ADJECTIVES

Say It Properly

A proper noun is the name of a specific person, place, or thing, and always begins with a capital letter. For example:

George Washington, **Chicago**, **Apple** computers

A **proper adjective** comes from a proper noun. For example:

Plays written by Shakespeare are **Shakespearean**.

Something made in Italy is **Italian**.

DIRECTIONS

In the sentences below, change the proper nouns in boldface into proper adjectives. Careful! Some are tricky.

- When I go to **France**, I will eat a big, long roll of delicious _____ bread.
- China** is the most heavily populated nation on Earth because over one billion _____ people live there.
- People who live in **Australia** speak English, but it's a very _____ kind of English.
- I never understood why _____ cheese had so many holes in it, so I took a trip to **Switzerland** to find out.
- The time that Queen **Victoria** ruled Great Britain in the 1800s is now called the _____ Era.
- I wonder if _____ jumping beans really come from **Mexico**.
- Since Shakespeare wrote his sonnets when **Elizabeth** I was queen of England, they're called _____ sonnets.
- I'm reading a new book about the planet **Mars** because I love anything _____.
- This little store sells folk art from **Peru**, and I just bought some _____ ceramics.
- The new chef in my cousin's restaurant comes from **Ireland** and can cook a fabulous _____ stew.