

Grade 9

English Language

Second Term

Lesson 2

**Competency level:4**

**Competency level:4.8**

***Uses collective nouns and compound nouns appropriately.***

**\*\*Collective noun is a word for a group of people, animals or things.**

Eg: team	crew	Herd	bundle
audience	orchestra	flock	cluster
committee	council	pride	bunch
family	staff	swarm	pair

### **Activity 1**

Circle the collective nouns in the following sentences.

- 1.The team hope to win this time.
- 2.The farmer has a herd of cattle.
- 3.A group of children is practicing the drama.
- 4.The government encourages the public for gardening.
- 5.The jury is presenting the verdict to the judge.

**\*\*Collective nouns can have either singular or plural meaning in sentences.**

\*When referring to the group as a single unit, the noun has a singular meaning and takes a singular verb.

Eg:1. The **committee** is of the same opinion.

2.The rigger **team** plays brilliantly.

**\*\*When referring to the group as a number of individual members, the noun has a plural meaning and takes a plural verb.**

Eg:1. The **committee** were discussing the matter at the meeting.

2.The **government** have been considering further tax cuts.

**\*\*More examples**

1.The **army** marches into the battle field. (as a single unit)

2.The **army** march into the battlefield. (group act as a number of individuals)

3.The **crew** wears a new uniform today. (as a single unit)

4.The **crew** wear a new uniform today. (group act as a number of individuals)

## **Activity 2**

1. The class ..... (describe/describes) their vacation.
2. Our staff .....(work/works) to meet their goals.
3. The team .....(was/were) practicing at the stadium.
4. The jury .....(has/have) made its decision.
5. An average family .....(consist/consists) of four members.

**\*Complete the following Text Book Activities.**

*Pupil's book*

Unit – 1 Activity3/4

*Work book*

Unit -1 Activity 3

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## **Answers for the extended activities**

### Activity 1

1. Team
2. Herd
3. Group
4. Government, public
5. Jury

### Activity 2

1. Describe
2. Work
3. Was
4. Has
5. Consists

## **Answers for Text book Activities**

### *Pupil's book*

#### Unit – 1 Activity 3

1.team

2.are

3.There

4.crew

5.has

#### Activity 4

1.is

2.were

3.is

4.are

5.have

*Work book*

Unit -1 Activity 3

1.team

2.orchestra

3.crew

4.crowd

5.family