

CAPITALIZATION

Which Words Should Be Capitalized?

In English, there are very specific rules for capitalizing words. The following categories of words should **always** be capitalized:

CATEGORY

The Pronoun "I"
First Words of Sentences
Names and Titles of People
Family Relationships
Deities
Geographical Names
Parks
Mountains
Areas of the United States
Organizations
Teams
Companies
Schools
Awards
Religions

EXAMPLE

I love chocolate ice cream.
Mike went shopping.
Senator Carolina Rivera
Mom
Jehovah
Montana
Yellowstone National Park
Mount Rushmore
The **Southeast**
Boy Scouts
Buffalo Bills



PREVIEW

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Try This!

1] Which word should be **capitalized**?

The brooklyn Bridge is a national landmark.

- a] brooklyn
- b] is
- c] national
- d] landmark

2] Which word should be **capitalized**?

The president of the United States is the leader of the free world.

- a] president
- b] leader
- c] free
- d] world