

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 Interest
 Organizations
 Teams
 Companies
 Schools
 Awards
 Religions

EXAMPLE

I love chocolate ice cream.
Mike went shopping.
 Senator **C**arolina Rivera
Mom
Jehovah
Montana
 Yellowstone **N**ational **P**ark
Mount **R**ushmore



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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