Collective nouns worksheet

1. A swarm of locusts attacked a herd of cattle.

Read the following sentences. A large crowd gathered in the street. The hungry fox saw a bunch of grapes hanging from the vine. We were attacked by a swarm of bees. Here the words crowd, bunch and swarm stand for a collection of people, a collection of grapes and a collection of bees. Nouns which are thus used to denote a collection of people or things are called collective nouns. Complete the following sentences using appropriate collective nouns. 1. A of locusts attacked a of cattle. 2. A of birds is always a beautiful sight. 3. They welcomed the chief guest with a of flowers. 4. As we drove down the country side, we saw a of sheep grazing in the fields. 5. Theof thieves has been arrested by the police. 6. There we saw a man carrying a of clothes on his head. 7. A of musicians was hired to perform at the party. 8. My friend has a fine of old stamps. **Answers**

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- 2. A flight of birds is always a beautiful sight.
- 3. They welcomed the chief guest with a bouquet of flowers.
- 4. As we drove down the country side, we saw a flock of sheep grazing in the fields.
- 5. The gang of thieves has been arrested by the police.
- 6. There we saw a man carrying a bundle of clothes on his head.
- 7. A band of musicians was hired to perform at the party.
- 8. My friend has a fine collection of old stamps.