

SINGULAR AND PLURAL NOUNS



Nouns can be either singular or plural. Singular means one and plural means more than one.
 Ex: The boy **studies** very hard.
 The boys **study** very hard.
 In these sentences, "boy" is singular and "boys" is plural.

- Many common nouns become plural by adding -s.
 Ex: one **book** - two **books**
- Some plural common nouns can be formed by adding -es.
 Ex: one **branch** - two **branches**
- Some plural common nouns can be formed by changing "y" to "ies".
 Ex: one **cherry** - two **cherries**
- Some plural common nouns can be formed by changing "f" to "ves".
 Ex: one **loaf** of bread - two **loaves** of bread
- Some common nouns do not change to form the plural.
 Ex: **sheep, deer**
- Some plural common nouns can be formed by changing a vowel sound in each of them.
 Ex: one **woman** - two **women**

Exercise 1:

Fill in the blanks with the correct plural nouns.

1. One bird, three birds
2. One girl, two _____
3. One duckling, five _____
4. One flower, six _____
5. One truck, two _____
6. One bottle, four _____
7. One copybook, six _____
8. One car, three _____
9. One plane, five _____
10. One light, twenty _____



Exercise 2:

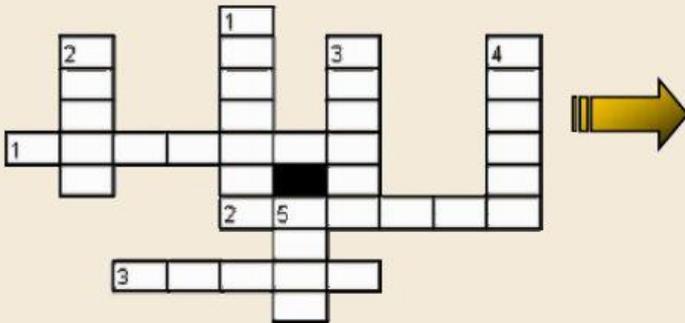
Fill in the crossword puzzle with the correct plural nouns of the following list.

DOWN

1. Match
2. Box
3. Kiss
4. Brush
5. Axe

ACROSS

1. Peach
2. Sash
3. Tax



Exercise 3:

Change the following singular nouns into plural nouns by changing "y" to "ies".

1. My sister likes to eat _____ (strawberry).
2. Little children look for _____ (fairy) in the garden.
3. All the _____ (baby) in the nursery were sleeping.
4. This garden has many _____ (butterfly).
5. Ronny likes to read adventure _____ (story).
6. Paris and London are big _____ (city).
7. _____ (Lady) and gentlemen, may we have your attention please?
8. Would you like some _____ (berry) in your pudding?
9. Tim and Andy have their own _____ (pony).
10. These are the _____ (army) of the king.



Exercise 4:

Fill in the blanks by changing the nouns in brackets into plural nouns.

1. Horses and donkeys have _____ (hoof).
2. The baker has baked fresh _____ of bread (loaf).
3. _____ change color in autumn (leaf).
4. The _____ committed many robberies (thief).
5. _____ are animals that eat meat (wolf).
6. All the children ate with _____ and forks (knife).
7. I read a story about _____ and fairies (elf).
8. The cows and their _____ are in the field (calf).
9. This man has two _____ (wife).
10. Please put your books neatly on the _____ (shelf).



Exercise 5

Fill in the blanks with the words from the box.

Deer dozen sheep salmon aircraft cattle

1. Farmer Brown owns one hundred _____.
2. The _____ are grazing in the meadow.
3. The cowboys are herding the _____.
4. The _____ were swimming upstream.
5. Many _____ land at the airport.



Exercise 6:

Change the following singular nouns into plural and make a sentence from this word.

1. man _____
2. foot _____
3. tooth _____
4. goose _____
5. mouse _____
6. louse _____
7. woman _____
8. child _____
9. fish _____
10. Blueberry _____

