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## RULES TO MAKE PLURAL NOUNS:

Plural word forms are used to show that there is more than one. E.g. *kitchens* is the plural form of *kitchen*.

### Add an "s"

- It is the most common way to make a plural.  
E.g. bike – bikes

Write 5 nouns that just add **-s** to make the word plural.

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### Words ending in "y"

- If there is a **consonant** before the **"y"**, change the **"y"** to **"i"** then add **"-es"**  
E.g. lady – ladies
- If there is a **vowel** before **"y"**, add **"s"**  
E.g. toy – toys

What is the plural of these words?

|               |                |
|---------------|----------------|
| Key _____     | monkey _____   |
| lorry _____   | industry _____ |
| turkey _____  | valley _____   |
| company _____ | tray _____     |

### Words ending in "z", "x", "sh", "ch", "s", or "ss"

For words ending in **"z", "x", "sh", "ch", "s", or "ss"** add **"-es"**  
E.g. church – churches

What are the plural of these words?

|           |             |                |
|-----------|-------------|----------------|
| Box _____ | Match _____ | Business _____ |
| Gas _____ | Brush _____ | Topaz _____    |

### Words ending in "f", or "fe"

For words ending in **"f", "fe", "ef"** change to **"v"** then add **"-es"**  
E.g. leaf – leaves

What is the plural of these words?

|             |             |            |
|-------------|-------------|------------|
| wolf _____  | knife _____ | half _____ |
| life _____  | shelf _____ | wife _____ |
| thief _____ |             |            |

Some exceptions:

Chief – chiefs      roof – roofs      belief – beliefs      chef – chefs      safe – safes  
Handkerchief – handkerchiefs

### Words ending in "o"

- If a vowel comes before the "o" add "-s"  
E.g. radio – radios
- If a consonant comes before the "o" add "-es" except piano – pianos  
E.g. tomato – tomatoes

What is the plural of these words?

potato \_\_\_\_\_ zoo \_\_\_\_\_ hero \_\_\_\_\_  
Volcano \_\_\_\_\_ studio \_\_\_\_\_ Mosquito \_\_\_\_\_

### Irregular plurals

- Do not follow the rules
- Use a dictionary to complete

What is the plural of these words?

man \_\_\_\_\_ woman \_\_\_\_\_ child \_\_\_\_\_  
foot \_\_\_\_\_ tooth \_\_\_\_\_ mouse \_\_\_\_\_  
deer \_\_\_\_\_ sheep \_\_\_\_\_ ox \_\_\_\_\_  
fish \_\_\_\_\_

### PRACTICE:

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|---------------|-------|--------------------|-------|
| 1. Box        | _____ | 2. Lady            | _____ |
| 3. Brush      | _____ | 4. Company         | _____ |
| 5. Business   | _____ | 6. Half            | _____ |
| 7. Glass      | _____ | 8. Knife           | _____ |
| 9. Watch      | _____ | 10. Woman          | _____ |
| 11. Army      | _____ | 12. Mouse          | _____ |
| 13. City      | _____ | 14. Brother-in-law | _____ |
| 15. fly       | _____ | 16. Child          | _____ |
| 17. sheep     | _____ | 18. Tooth          | _____ |
| 19. Secretary | _____ | 20. Facility       | _____ |
| 21. Supply    | _____ | 22. Industry       | _____ |
| 23. Chimney   | _____ | 24. Folio          | _____ |
| 25. Leaf      | _____ | 26. Wheat          | _____ |
| 27. Life      | _____ | 28. Stepchild      | _____ |
| 29. Loaf      | _____ | 30. Burglar        | _____ |
| 31. Shelf     | _____ | 32. Tomato         | _____ |
| 33. Thief     | _____ | 34. Injury         | _____ |
| 35. Wolf      | _____ | 36. Foot           | _____ |
| 37. Chief     | _____ | 38. Gentleman      | _____ |
| 39. Roof      | _____ | 40. Cargo          | _____ |
| 41. Hero      | _____ | 42. Laundry        | _____ |
| 43. Potato    | _____ | 44. Puppy          | _____ |
| 45. Piano     | _____ | 46. Studio         | _____ |
| 47. Valley    | _____ | 48. Echo           | _____ |
| 49. Deer      | _____ | 50. fish           | _____ |