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Irregular Plural Nouns

The regular plural form of nouns is formed by adding an "s" to the end of the word. Some words, however, do not follow that rule. Irregular plural nouns are made by some other way aside from adding "s" to the end of the word.

Add "es" to words ending in "ch", "sh", "x", "o", or "ss" to make them plural.



one church
two churches



one box
two boxes

Drop the "f" and "fe" at the end of nouns and add "ves" to make them plural.



one knife
two knives



one elf
two elves

Drop the "y" and add "es" to the end of some nouns to make them plural.



one puppy
two puppies

Change "oo" to "ee" for some nouns to make them plural.



one foot
two feet

Some irregular plural nouns just have to be remembered.

• one man – two men	• one cactus – two cacti	• one index – two indices
• one woman – two women	• one child – two children	• one mouse – two mice

Write the irregular plural forms of each noun.

1. shelf	_____	7. knife	_____
2. goose	_____	8. lily	_____
3. fox	_____	9. dish	_____
4. wife	_____	10. potato	_____
5. tooth	_____	11. bass	_____
6. flash	_____	12. wrench	_____

