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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.

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 – rad**ios**
- If a consonant comes before the "o" add "-es" except piano – pianos
E.g. tomato – tomato**es**

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 | _____ |