Nouns (a naming word) may be singular or plural.

Singular means **one**   Plural means more than one

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a book   books

✏ **Complete the tables below with the plural spelling of the word. In each table the plurals follow a spelling pattern. Can you describe the plural spelling rule?**

Singular	Plural
hat	hats
book	
banana	
skirt	

What letter did you add to a word to make it a plural? _____

Adding an s is the most common way to make a plural.

Singular	Plural
b**oy**	boys
t**oy**	
roadw**ay**	
monk**ey**	

Singular	Plural
lad**y**	ladies
jell**y**	
famil**y**	
diar**y**	

When a word ends in y and has a vowel before the y to make it plural you add an _____. *(Vowels: a, e, i, o, u)*

When a word ends in y and has a consonant before the y to make it plural you change the y to ___ before adding _____.

Singular	Plural
addre**ss**	addresses
circu**s**	
gla**ss**	
bu**s**	

Singular	Plural
fo**x**	foxes
bo**x**	

Singular	Plural
sandwi**ch**	sandwiches
mat**ch**	
wat**ch**	
bat**ch**	

Singular	Plural
wa**sh**	washes
wi**sh**	
di**sh**	

If a word ends in _____, _____, _____ or _____ to make it plural you add _____ .

Singular	Plural
wi**fe**	wives
kni**fe**	
li**fe**	

Singular	Plural
lea**f**	leaves
loa**f**	
scar**f**	
hoo**f**	

When a word ends in f or fe to make it plural you change the ___ or ___ to the letter ____ before adding ____.

However there are some irregular plurals that don't follow any plural spelling rules!

Here are some examples:

Singular	Plural
roof	roofs
man	men
woman	women
tooth	teeth
mouse	mice
sheep	sheep
foot	feet
child	children