

## Suffix spelling rules

### Noun plurals

1. Nouns that end in -ss, -sh, -ch, -x and -o have suffix -es in plural form.
2. Nouns that end in a consonant +y change to suffix -ies in plural form.
3. Nouns that end in a vowel +y need suffix -s in plural form.

See this image below for examples of these rules:

Most words take -s in the plural for example: chefs, sweets, bags.

Words that END in these suffixes below change to -es, -ies or -s

1	<b>- SS, -sh, -ch, -x, -o</b>	 <b>-es</b> dress - dresses bush - bushes brush - brushes box - boxes fox - foxes
2	<b>a consonant +y</b>	 <b>-ies</b> baby - babies lady - ladies party - parties
3	<b>a vowel +y</b>	 <b>-s</b> day - days key - keys trolley - trolleys

### Verb suffixes for 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular present tense

1. 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular verbs (she, he, it, Sarah) that end in -ss, -sh, -ch, -x and -o have suffix -es.
2. 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular verbs that end in a consonant +y change to suffix -ies.
3. 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular verbs that end in a vowel +y need suffix -s.

See this image below for examples of these rules:

brush/wash **es**

teach/watch **es**

kiss **es**

fix **es**

do **es**

buy/play **s**

studies/fly**ies**

ask/help/learn/live **s**

If the verb ends with these letters/sounds **sh, ch, ss, x, o** add **es** to the end.

If the verb ends with a **vowel** and **y** add **s** to the end.

If the verb ends with a **consonant** and **y** delete the **y** and add **ies** to the end.

For most other regular verbs add **s** to the end.

### Simple Present Tense Verbs for He/She/It and Singular Nouns

Spelling Rules	Examples
With most verbs, add <b>s</b>	live - <b>lives</b> sit - <b>sits</b> stay - <b>stays</b>
Ending in <b>consonant + y</b> change <b>y</b> to <b>i</b> and add <b>es</b>	try - <b>tries</b> carry - <b>carries</b>
Ending in <b>s, z, ch, or x</b> add <b>es</b>	miss - <b>misses</b> buzz - <b>buzzes</b> catch - <b>catches</b> fix - <b>fixes</b>
Exceptions	go - <b>goes</b> do - <b>does</b>

# Present Simple Spelling Rules

Most verbs takes -s in the third person singular. (He/ She/ It)

1	- SS, -sh, 	
	<del>-ch, -x, -o</del>	I miss- he misses I finish- he finishes I watch- he watches I mix- he mixes I go- he goes
2	 	
3	 	

## Questions

1. What suffix do nouns that end in -ss, -sh, -ch, -x and -o have in plural form? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What suffix do nouns that end in a vowel +y need in the plural form?  
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3. What suffix do 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular verbs that end in a consonant +y have? \_\_\_\_\_