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 woman – two women
- one cactus – two cacti
- one child – two children
- one index – two indices
- one mouse – two mice

Write the irregular plural forms of each noun.

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

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