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Singular & Plural Nouns Review

Spelling Rules for Forming Plural Nouns

Rule	Singular	Plural	Example Words
Most nouns - add -s	cat	cats	dog → dogs, car → cars
Nouns ending in -s, -ss, -sh, -ch, -x, -z - add -es	bus	buses	box → boxes, church → churches
Nouns ending in consonant + y - change y to i and add -es	baby	babies	lady → ladies, city → cities
Nouns ending in vowel + y - just add -s	toy	toys	monkey → monkeys, key → keys
Nouns ending in -f or -fe - change f to v and add -es	wolf	wolves	knife → knives, leaf → leaves (Exceptions: roofs, chiefs)
Nouns ending in -o - add -es (for some words)	tomato	tomatoes	potato → potatoes (Exceptions: pianos, photos)
Irregular nouns - change the word completely	child	children	man → men, mouse → mice, foot → feet
Same singular and plural form	sheep	sheep	deer → deer, fish → fish

Common Irregular Plural Nouns

Singular	Plural
child	children
man	men
woman	women
tooth	teeth
foot	feet
goose	geese
mouse	mice
person	people
ox	oxen
sheep	sheep
cactus	cacti

- Write the plural form of the nouns in brackets.

- 1) I saw three _____ (**pen**) on the table.
- 2) They built two new _____ (**church**) in the city.
- 3) We visited four different _____ (**country**) last year.
- 4) I received two new _____ (**toy**) at my birthday party.
- 5) We watched four _____ (**sheep**) running in the meadow.
- 6) Sam lost lots of _____ (**tooth**) because of the accident.
- 7) My dad bought three _____ (**potato**) from the market.

***Write the plural form of each of the following nouns:**

1. Regular plurals (add -s)

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|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. book → _____ | 3. pen → _____ |
| 2. car → _____ | 4. apple → _____ |

2. Nouns ending in -s, -x, -sh, -ch (add -es)

5. bus → _____
6. box → _____
7. dish → _____
8. church → _____

3. Nouns ending in consonant + y (change y to i and add -es)

9. baby → _____
10. city → _____
11. story → _____
12. country → _____

4. Nouns ending in vowel + y (just add -s)

13. key → _____
14. toy → _____
15. monkey → _____

5. Nouns ending in -f or -fe (change f to v and add -es)

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| 16. leaf → _____ | 18. knife → _____ |
| 17. life → _____ | 19. wolf → _____ |

6. Add "-s" or "-es" to nouns ending in "-o"

- If a noun ending in "-o" is **preceded by a vowel**, just add "-s":
 - **radio** → **radios**
 - **video** → **videos**
- If a noun ending in "-o" is **preceded by a consonant**, usually add "-es":
 - **tomato** → **tomatoes**
 - **potato** → **potatoes**
 - **hero** → **heroes**
- **Exceptions:** Some words just take "-s", such as **piano** → **pianos**, **photo** → **photos**, **memo** → **memos**.

Exercise: Make these nouns plural:

1. echo → _____
2. zoo → _____
3. avocado → _____
4. hero → _____

7. Irregular plurals (completely change form)

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|-------------------|-------------------|
| 20. man → _____ | 23. tooth → _____ |
| 21. woman → _____ | 24. child → _____ |
| 22. foot → _____ | 25. mouse → _____ |

8. Nouns that stay the same in singular and plural

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| 26. deer → _____ | 28. fish → _____ |
| 27. sheep → _____ | |