

PLURALS



Most singular nouns form
the plural by adding -s.

Singular	Plural
boat	boats
house	houses
cat	cats
river	rivers



A singular noun ending in **s, x, z, ch, sh** makes the plural by adding **-es**.

Singular	Plural
bus	buses
wish	wishes
match	matches
box	boxes



A singular noun ending in **y** makes the plural by changing it into **-ies**.

Singular	Plural
penny	pennies
spy	spies
baby	babies



A singular noun ending in **f** makes the plural by changing it into **-ves**.

half	halves
knife	knives
wife	wives
life	lives
BUT: chief handkerchief roof  	chiefs handkerchiefs roofs 

IRREGULAR NOUNS

woman	women
man	men
child	children
tooth	teeth
foot	feet
person	people



mouse	mice
goose	geese
sheep	sheep
fish	fish
deer	deer
species	species
aircraft	aircraft



Plural nouns used with a singular verb

news	The news is at 6.30 p.m.
athletics	Athletics is good for young people.
linguistics	Linguistics is the study of language.
darts	Darts is a popular game in England.
billiards	Billiards is played all over the world.

Plural noun with plural verb

trousers

My trousers are too tight.

jeans

Her jeans are black.

glasses

Those glasses are his.

