

# Rules To Change Nouns From Singular To Plural

For most nouns, the singular can be made into plural by adding “-s. However, there are some other rules to be followed while converting singular nouns to plural nouns.

The following explanation and examples will help you understand the rules in detail:

## **For nouns ending in ch, sh, x, s, ss, or z -----> add -es**

- Fox - Foxes
- Dress - Dresses
- Quiz - Quizzes
- Dish - Dishes
- Beach - Beaches

## **For nouns ending in -f or -fe -----> replace the -f or -fe with -ves**

- Calf - Calves
- Wife - Wives
- Life - Lives
- Elf - Elves
- Wolf - Wolves

## **For nouns ending with a vowel + y -----> add -s**

- Toy - Toys
- Key - Keys
- Tray - Trays
- Donkey - Donkeys
- Turkey - Turkeys

## **For nouns ending with a consonant + -y -----> replace the -y with -ies**

- Puppy - Puppies
- City - Cities
- Berry - Berries
- Firefly - Fireflies
- Penny - Pennies

## **For nouns ending with a vowel + -o -----> add “-s”**

- Video - Videos
- Radio - Radios
- Kangaroo - Kangaroos

## **For nouns ending with a consonant + -o -----> add -es**

- Hero - Heroes
- Tomato - Tomatoes
- Potato - Potatoes

## Irregular nouns

**Irregular plural nouns are nouns that do not become plural by adding -s or -es.**

- Man - Men
- Child - Children
- Woman - Women
- Tooth - Teeth
- Person - People
- Mouse - Mice
- Ox - Oxen
- Corn - Corn
- Deer - Deer
- Sheep - Sheep
- Fish - Fish
- Mouse - Mice
- Luggage - Luggage
- Gold - Gold
- Music - Music

Choose a correct word from the box to fill in the blanks. One has been done for you.

Puppies, photos, beaches, dishes, toys, women, tomatoes, sheep, wolves, dresses

- 1 A pack of wolves is howling on a hill.
- 2 Mila stared at all the lovely prom \_\_\_\_\_ in the boutique.
- 3 The sink was filled with a pile of dirty \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 The \_\_\_\_\_ in Florida are so pretty.
- 5 The husbands were busy cooking dinner, while the \_\_\_\_\_ danced to the music in the backyard.
- 6 The store has many interesting \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 The dog lovingly licked its \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 My grandmother showed me an album full of my childhood \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 Mom was so happy to see a basket full of ripe and juicy \_\_\_\_\_.
- 10 The shepherd moved a flock of \_\_\_\_\_.