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Singular and Plural Nouns

■ The chart shows how to change **singular nouns** into **plural nouns**.

Noun	Plural Form	Examples
Most nouns	Add <u>-s</u>	ship, ships nose, noses
Nouns ending in a consonant and <u>-y</u>	Change the <u>-y</u> to <u>-i</u> and add <u>-es</u>	sky, skies navy, navies
Nouns ending in <u>-o</u>	Add <u>-s</u> or <u>-es</u>	hero, heroes video, videos
Most nouns ending in <u>-f</u> or <u>-fe</u>	Change the <u>-f</u> or <u>-fe</u> to <u>-ves</u>	half, halves knife, knives
Most nouns ending in <u>-ch</u> , <u>-sh</u> , <u>-s</u> , or <u>-x</u>	Add <u>-es</u>	inch, inches mess, messes dish, dishes tax, taxes
Many two-word or three-word compound nouns	Add <u>-s</u> to the main word	son-in-law, sons-in-law
Nouns with the same form in the singular and plural	No change	sheep deer trout fish
Nouns with no singular form	No change	scissors mumps slacks pants
Nouns with irregular plurals	Change the word	foot, feet child, children
Letters, numbers, signs, and words used as words	Add an apostrophe and <u>-s</u>	m, m's 5, 5's +, +'s and, and's

A Write the plural for each singular noun.

1. county _____ *counties* _____
2. pony _____
3. tomato _____
4. banjo _____
5. match _____
6. window _____
7. century _____
3. trench _____
9. bookcase _____
10. video _____
11. radio _____
12. farm _____
13. fly _____
14. potato _____
15. dress _____
16. boot _____