Singular & Plurals

Singular: Refers to one entity.

A single apple, child, or book.

Plural: Refers to more than one entity.

Multiple apples, children, or books.

How to form plurals?

- 1. Add -s: Most words take this form.
- Singular: car, cat
- Plural: cars, cats
- 2. Add -es: For nouns ending in -s, -sh, -ch, -x, or -z, add -es.
- Singular: bus, watch
- Plural: buses, watches
- 3. If a noun ends in a consonant + -y, change the -y to -ies.
- Singular: baby, city
- Plural: babies, cities
- **4.** If a noun ends in a vowel + -y, simply add -s.
- Singular: boy, key
- Plural: boys, keys
- **5.** For some nouns, the **-f** or **-fe** is changed to **-ves** in the plural.
- Singular: wolf, knife
- Plural: wolves, knives

Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
Apple	Apples	Medium	Media
Baby	Babies	Index	Indices
Leaf	Leaves	Curriculum	Curricula
Box	Boxes	Bureau	Bureaus
Foot	Feet	Species	Species
Wolf	Wolves	Bison	Bison
Woman	Women	Shrimp	Shrimp
Tomato	Tomatoes	Series	Series
Fish	Fish	Alumnus	Alumni
Deer	Deer	Antenna	Antennae
Hero	Heroes	Fungus	Fungi
Thief	Thieves	Oasis	Oases
Potato	Potatoes	Foot	Feet
Piano	Pianos	Axis	Axes
Bush	Bushes	Shelf	Shelves
Goose	Geese	Half	Halves
Die	Dice	Scarf	Scarves
Datum	Data	Tomato	Tomatoes
Analysis	Analyses	Quiz	Quizzes
Thesis	Theses	Church	Churches

Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
Mouse	Mice	Formula	Formulas
Ox	Oxen	Buffalo	Buffaloes
Child	Children	Aircraft	Aircraft
Goose	Geese	Trout	Trout
Tooth	Teeth	Swine	Swine
Man	Men	Radius	Radii
Elf	Elves	Alga	Algae
Cactus	Cacti	Nucleus	Nuclei
Sheep	Sheep	Stimulus	Stimuli
Person	People	Focus	Foci
Knife	Knives	Louse	Lice
Volcano	Volcanoes	Basis	Bases
Mango	Mangoes	Datum	Data
Quiz	Quizzes	Criterion	Criteria
Glass	Glasses	Mouse	Mice
Axis	Axes	Calf	Calves
Life	Lives	Wolf	Wolves
Criterion	Criteria	Loaf	Loaves
Diagnosis	Diagnoses	Piano	Pianos
Hypothesis	Hypotheses	Fox	Foxes
Appendix	Appendices	Watch	Watches