



English Lecture

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Lesson 02: Plural form

Plural form: refers to a noun that includes more than one of a particular noun

Example: a table ___ tables

Here, a table means one table but tables means two or more, so table is singular and tables with an "S" at the end is plural

In order to get the plural of a noun, the general rule is just to add an "S" at the end of a noun, but there are some nouns that take some change in a plural form.

1- For most nouns we add "s" at the end of the word

Singular form	Plural form
Ball	Balls
Tree	Trees
Hand	Hands

- 2- For nouns that end with "s, x, z, ch, sh" add an "es" at the end of the word

Singular form	Plural form
Box	Boxes
Boss	Bosses
Dish	Dishes

- 3- For nouns end with "o" , need "es" at the end.

Singular form	Plural form
Potato	Potatoes
Echo	Echoes
Hero	Heroes

- 4- Some words end with "f, ife" we need to replace the letter "f" by "v" then we add "es" at the end.

Singular form	Plural form
Loaf	Loaves
Half	Halves
Wife	Wives
Knife	Knives

- 5- But words end with "f", need "s" at the end.

Singular form	Plural form
Reef	Reefs
Chef	Chefs
Roof	Roofs

- 6- For common nouns ending with a consonant followed by "y" replace it by "i" than add "es" at the end.

Singular form	Plural form
Nappy	Nappies
Fly	Flies
City	Cities

- 7- Some nouns are the same in the both forms.

Singular form	Plural form
Fish	Fish
Sheep	Sheep
Tuna	Tuna

- 8- For other words, some letters must be replaced, or added, and sometimes changing the word completely.

Singular form	Plural form
Child	Children
Ox	Oxen
Man	Men

To conclude the lecture, in order to get the plural of a singular word, you should pay attention to the singular word before then you get the necessary rule you have above.