#### Nouns (Number)

#### **COUNTABLE NOUNS**

Singular Number

Plural Number

Denotes ONE (1)

Denotes MORE THAN ONE (>1)

Rule #1. The Plural of nouns is generally formed by adding -s to the singular

Singular	Plural
Boy	Boys
Pen	Pens
Chair	Chairs
Girl	Girls
Cow	Cows

Rule #2. Nouns ending in -s, -sh, -ch (soft), or -x form the plural by adding -es to the singular

Singular	Plural	
Class	Classes	
Dish	Dishes	
Match	Matches	
Вох	Boxes	
Tax	Taxes	

Rule #3. Most Nouns ending in -o form the plural by adding -es to the singular

Singular	Plural	
Buffalo	Buffaloes	
Potato	Potatoes	
Hero	Heroes	
Mango	Mangoes	
Volcano	Volcanoes	

Rule #4. A few Nouns ending in -o form the plural by adding -s to the singular

Singular	Plural	
Piano	Pianos	
Photo	Photos	
Kilo	Kilos	

Logos

Logo

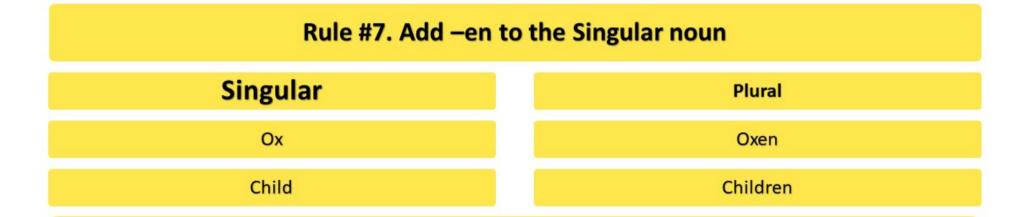
Rule #5. Nouns ending in -y, preceded by a consonant, form their plural by changing -y into -ies

Singular	Plural	
Baby	Babies	
Lady	Ladies	
City	Cities	
Story	Stories	

Rule #6. Nouns er	ding in -	f or -fe	
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Change –f o	r –fe to –ves	Add —s to the	e Plural form
Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
Thief	Thieves	Chief	Chiefs
Calf	Calves	Safe	Safes
Self	Selves	Proof	Proofs

Rule #6. Change the inside vowel of the Singular Noun		
Singular Plural		
Man	Men	
Woman	Women	
Foot	Feet	
Mouse	Mice	



Rule #8. Some nouns have the singular and the plural alike

Swine, fish, sheep, deer; cod, trout, salmon; aircraft, spacecraft, series, species. Pair, dozen, score, gross, hundred, thousand (when used after numerals)

Rule #9. Some nouns are used only in the Plural

Scissors, Tongs, Spectacles, Trousers, Drawers, Jeans, Tights, Shorts, Pyjamas etc.

Rule #10. Some nouns look Plural but are Singular

Mathematics, Physics, Electronics, News, Measles etc.

Rule #11. Add –s to the Principal word in Compound Nouns to make them Plural

Singular

Commander-in-chief

Son-in-law

Step-son

Man-of-war

**Plural** 

Commanders-in-chief

Sons-in-law

Step-sons

Men-of-war