

Singular and Plural Nouns

Definitions:

A singular noun names one person, place, or thing.

Example: A dog barked last night.

A plural noun names more than one person, place, or thing.

Example: Three dogs barked last night.

Rules:

- 1) For most nouns add -s
- 2) If a noun ends in a hiss sound (s, z, x, ch, or sh), add -es
- 3) If a noun ends with a vowel and y, add -s
- 4) If a noun ends with a consonant and y, change the -y to -ies
- 5) If a noun ends with -is, change it to -es
- 6) If a noun ends with -f or -fe, change it to -ves

Activity 1 Directions:

 Identify whether the noun is singular or plural.

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| 1. Women | _____ | 6. X-box controllers | _____ |
| 2. Desk | _____ | 7. Sneakers | _____ |
| 3. Books | _____ | 8. DVDs | _____ |
| 4. Sport jerseys | _____ | 9. Retainer | _____ |
| 5. Couches | _____ | 10. Pitbull Puppies | _____ |

Activity 2 Directions:

 Change the following nouns from singular to plural.

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| 1. Child | _____ | 6. Fox | _____ |
| 2. Chef | _____ | 7. Wrench | _____ |
| 3. Frame | _____ | 8. Suitcase | _____ |
| 4. Passenger | _____ | 9. Watch | _____ |
| 5. Compass | _____ | 10. Baby | _____ |

Activity 3 Directions:

 Change the following nouns from plural to singular.

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| 1. Lives | _____ | 5. Helmets | _____ |
| 2. Flights | _____ | 6. Turtles | _____ |
| 3. Brushes | _____ | 7. Computers | _____ |
| 4. Ponies | _____ | 8. Glasses | _____ |

Activity 4 Directions: Write 5 sets of sentences that use singular and plural nouns.

1. Noun: car

Sentence using singular form:

Sentence using plural form:

2. Noun: video game

Sentence using singular form:

Sentence using plural form:

3. Noun: beach

Sentence using singular form:

Sentence using plural form:

4. Noun: thief

Sentence using singular form:

Sentence using plural form:

5. Noun: man

Sentence using singular form:

Sentence using plural form: