Regular Plurals Worksheet

Adding -s or -es to mean more than one.



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ASHA places plural words like birds and toys in the 2-to-3-year band

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The plural -s is usually the very first grammatical marker a child produces, but it hides three different sounds. After a voiceless sound it says /s/ - "cats." After a voiced sound it says /z/ - "dogs." And after a hissy sound it becomes a whole extra syllable, /iz/ - "buses," "dishes," "boxes." Children master them roughly in that order.

What to expect: Plural -s shows up around 2;6 and is fairly reliable by 3;6. The extra-syllable version takes about a year longer, because it changes the shape of the whole word rather than just adding a sound to the end. Words ending in -f that flip to -ves (leaf to leaves) are a small separate group that comes in around 5.

Adding -s

Fill in the blank with the plural form.

1. One cat, two ____ .



2. One dog, two ____ .



3. One book, three ____ .



4. One ball, four ____ .



5. One cup, two ____ .



6. One bird, five ____ .



7 One hat, two ____ . 

8 One shoe, two ____ . 

9 One tree, three ____ . 

10 One car, six ____ . 

11 One bike, two ____ . 

12 One spoon, four ____ . 

13 One apple, three ____ . 

14 One flower, ten ____ . 

Adding -s: Round 2

Say the whole phrase. Add -s to make more than one.

15 One dog, two ____ . 

16 One bird, three ____ . 

17 One hat, two ____ . 

18 One cup, four ____ . 

19 One star, many ____ . 

20 One tree, two ____ .



21 One shoe, two ____ .



22 One spoon, three ____ .



23 One kite, two ____ .



24 One drum, two ____ .



25 One balloon, many ____ .



26 One apple, three ____ .



Adding -s: Round 3

Say the whole phrase. Add -s to make more than one.

27 One frog, two ____ .



28 One pen, three ____ .



29 One book, many ____ .



30 One bed, two ____ .



31 One car, four ____ .



32 One cow, two ____ .



33 One pig, three ____ .



34 One duck, many ____ .



35 One bee, two ____ .



36 One flower, many ____ .



37 One sock, two ____ .



38 One fork, three ____ .



Adding -s: Round 4

Say the whole phrase. Add -s to make more than one.

39 One plate, two ____ .



40 One table, two ____ .



41 One chair, four ____ .



42 One door, two ____ .



43 One window, three ____ .



44 One cloud, many ____ .



45 One boat, two ____ .



46 One train, two ____ .



47 One truck, three ____ .



48 One banana, two ____ .



49 One candle, five ____ .



50 One button, many ____ .



Adding -es (the extra syllable)

These plurals add a whole extra beat to the word. Say each one out loud and clap the syllables.

51 One bus, two ____ .



52 One box, three ____ .



53 One dish, four ____ .



54 One brush, two ____ .



55 One fox, two ____ .



56 One glass, three ____ .



57 One dress, two ____ .



58 One watch, two ____ .



59 One peach, five ____ .



60 One sandwich, three ____ .



61 One beach, two ____ .



62 One horse, four ____ .



63 One nose, two ____ .



64 One prize, two ____ .



Adding -es (the extra syllable): Round 2

These end in a hissing sound, so the plural adds a whole extra syllable: -es.

65 One dish, two ____ .



66 One brush, three ____ .



67 One watch, two ____ .



68 One beach, two ____ .



69 One dress, three ____ .



70 One glass, four ____ .



71 One peach, two ____ .



72 One branch, many ____ .



73 One bench, two ____ .



74 One sandwich, two ____ .



75 One match, three ____ .



76 One couch, two ____ .



77 Adding -es (the extra syllable): Round 3

These end in a hissing sound, so the plural adds a whole extra syllable: -es.

77 One box, two ____ .



78 One fox, three ____ .



79 One bush, two ____ .



80 One wish, three ____ .



81 One church, two ____ .



82 One bus, three ____ .



83 One dish, four ____ .



84 One brush, two ____ .



85 One peach, many ____ .



86 One dress, two ____ .



87 One bench, three ____ .



88 One watch, four ____ .



F Becomes V

These words change their ending sound before adding -es.

89 One leaf, many ____ .



90 One wolf, three ____ .



91 One scarf, two ____ .



92 One shelf, four ____ .



93 One loaf, three ____ .



94 One calf, two ____ .



95 One half, two ____ .



F Becomes V: Round 2

The f changes to v before the -es. Say the whole phrase.

96 One leaf, many ____ .



97 One wolf, two ____ .



98 One shelf, three ____ .



99 One loaf, two ____ .



100 One calf, two ____ .



101 One scarf, three ____ .



102 One half, two ____ .



103 One elf, many ____ .



F Becomes V: Round 3

The f changes to v before the -es. Say the whole phrase.

104 The tree has one leaf. The trees have many ____ .



105 Grandma knitted one scarf. She knitted two ____ .



106 There is one loaf on the shelf. There are three ____ .



107 One wolf howled. Then all the ____ howled.



108 The cow has one calf. The farm has four ____ .



109 My room has one shelf. The library has many ____ .



110 Cut the apple in half. Now there are two ____ .



111 One elf made a toy. All the ____ made toys.



Answer Key

Adding -s

1. cats
2. dogs
3. books
4. balls
5. cups
6. birds
7. hats
8. shoes
9. trees
10. cars
11. bikes
12. spoons
13. apples
14. flowers

Adding -s: Round 2

15. dogs
16. birds
17. hats
18. cups
19. stars
20. trees
21. shoes
22. spoons
23. kites
24. drums
25. balloons
26. apples

Adding -s: Round 3

27. frogs
28. pens
29. books
30. beds
31. cars
32. cows
33. pigs
34. ducks
35. bees
36. flowers
37. socks
38. forks

Adding -s: Round 4

39. plates
40. tables
41. chairs
42. doors
43. windows
44. clouds
45. boats
46. trains
47. trucks
48. bananas
49. candles
50. buttons

Adding -es (the extra syllable)

51. buses
52. boxes
53. dishes
54. brushes
55. foxes
56. glasses
57. dresses
58. watches

59. peaches
60. sandwiches
61. beaches
62. horses
63. noses
64. prizes

Adding -es (the extra syllable): Round 2

65. dishes
66. brushes
67. watches
68. beaches
69. dresses
70. glasses
71. peaches
72. branches
73. benches
74. sandwiches
75. matches
76. couches

Adding -es (the extra syllable): Round 3

77. boxes
78. foxes
79. bushes
80. wishes
81. churches
82. buses
83. dishes
84. brushes
85. peaches
86. dresses
87. benches
88. watches

F Becomes V

89. leaves
90. wolves
91. scarves
92. shelves
93. loaves
94. calves
95. halves

F Becomes V: Round 2

96. leaves
97. wolves
98. shelves
99. loaves
100. calves
101. scarves
102. halves
103. elves

F Becomes V: Round 3

104. leaves
105. scarves
106. loaves
107. wolves
108. calves
109. shelves
110. halves
111. elves