

UNIT 1

Singular and plural

Singular nouns are made **plural** in different ways.

You have learned:

	Singular	Plural
For most nouns, we add an s .	river	rivers
For nouns ending in s , ch , sh and x , we add es .	glass match brush box	glasses matches brushes boxes
For nouns ending in a consonant + y , we take off the y and add ies .	baby	babies
For nouns ending with a vowel + y , we just add s .	valley	valleys
For nouns ending in o , we usually add es .	potato	potatoes
For musical nouns ending in o and for nouns ending in oo , we just add s .	piano cockatoo	pianos cockatoos

Some nouns do not follow any of these rules.

They have a **plural** that is a different word.

singular

child

goose

person

plural

children

geese

people



Focus

A Make these singular nouns *plural*.

1 woman

2 tooth

3 ox

4 foot

5 mouse

6 postman



B Put each *plural noun* you have made in **A** in a sentence of your own.