GRAMMAR

Singular and plural nouns

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I can tell one from more than one, and add -s or -es.

1 The rule

Singular means one. Plural means more than one. Add -s to most nouns (cat, cats). Add -es to nouns that end in s, x, ch or sh (box, boxes).

One **cat**, two **cats**. One **box**, two **boxes**.

2 Look and say



cat
one



cats
more than one



fox
one



foxes
more than one

star
one

stars
more than one



bus
one



buses
more than one

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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Sort the words

Name _____ Date _____

Read each noun. Does it take -s or -es? Write the plural in the right box.

1 Word bank

dish | glass | dog | bus | box | lunch | book | tree | cup | hat | kite | fox

add -s	add -es
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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Find it in a sentence

Name _____ Date _____

Read each sentence. Circle the word that means more than one.

1. I see two cats.
2. The boxes are big.
3. Three birds sit in a tree.
4. My socks are red.
5. We have six eggs.
6. The buses are yellow.
7. Two foxes ran fast.
8. I like apples.

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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Write it

Name _____ Date _____

Look at the picture. Write the plural.

1.  One hat, two _____ .

2.  One dish, two _____ .

3.  One kite, two _____ .

4.  One box, two _____ .

5.  One bee, two _____ .

6.  One watch, two _____ .

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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FOR TEACHERS AND PARENTS

Answer key: singular and plural nouns

1 Sort the words

add -s: dogs, hats, cups, trees, books, kites

add -es: boxes, foxes, buses, dishes, lunches, glasses

2 Find it in a sentence

1. cats 2. boxes 3. birds 4. socks 5. eggs 6. buses 7. foxes 8. apples

3 Write it

1. hats 2. dishes 3. kites 4. boxes 5. bees 6. watches

4 Teaching tip

Say the plural out loud and listen. If you can hear an extra beat at the end (box-es, dish-es), it needs -es. If not (cats, hats), just add -s.

Watch for: Adding -s to words that need -es, as in "boxs" or "dishs". Have children say the word and clap the beats.

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