**Singular nouns name one person, place, thing, or idea.**

**Plural nouns name more than one person, place, thing, or idea.**

* To make the plural of most nouns, add **s.**  table**s** coat**s** apple**s**
* If a noun ends in s, sh, ch, x, or z add **es.** Fox**es** dish**es** peach**es**
* If a noun ends in a consonant followed
* by a y, change **y** to **i** and add **es**. Bunni**es** cherri**es** puppi**es**
* If a noun ends in f or fe,
* add **s** to some; Chief**s** belief**s**
* change **f** to **v** and add **es** to others. loa**ves** lea**ves**
* Some nouns do not change when they become plural.

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| **Singular** | **Plural** |
| Child | Children |
| Goose | Geese |
| Mouse | Mice |
| Tooth | Teeth |
| Ox | oxen |

* Some nouns have special plural forms. We call these **irregular** plurals.

**Singular & Plural Nouns**