

Plurals simplest responses game

Listen to your teacher read out a word and raise the "singular/ one" or "plural/ a pair of/ two or more" card depending on what you think about the grammar of that form of that word. If you aren't sure, think about whether it would take a singular form of the verb (e.g. + "is" or "has") or plural form of the verb (e.g. + "are").

Cards to hold up

plural/ two or more/ a pair
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Elementary

men women people children feet (both body part and measurement) glasses pants clothes scissors policeman police postmen schoolchild

Pre-Intermediate

tooth teeth mice trousers tights stockings agenda virus

Do the same, but also raise both cards if the teacher says a word which is the same in the singular and plural such as "sheep" (and so it is impossible to know if it is singular or plural without hearing the word in context).

Intermediate

goldfish leaf leaves life lives binoculars deer tongs

Upper Intermediate

bias millennium millennia series media medium crises crisis

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lens referenda referendum alumni alumnus axes axis sheep geese goose reindeer steelworks means

Advanced

aircraft innings analyses analysis phenomena phenomenon thesis theses bacteria bacterium cactus hypotheses hypothesis syntheses stimuli stimulus species basis bases cattle spectacles lice spacecraft tuna oasis oases wild boar salmon squid trout criteria diagnosis



diagnoses biceps grouse caribou moose fungi pliers iris pelvis alias larva larvae neuroses nuclei nucleus prognosis prognoses strata stratum vertebrae corps metamorphoses prognosis prognoses oxen koi starfish errata corpora corpus



Regular and irregular plurals presentation

First of all without looking above, try to remember, think of or guess the plural forms of the nouns below. Some don't need to change because they are the same in the singular and plural. If the plural wasn't given above, the plural is regular (= ending in -s, -es or -ies).

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Check your answers above. If only one form is given above, that is the plural form.

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