PARTS OF SPEECH

NOUNS

SINGULAR AND PLURAL

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Warm Up

Do you know the names of these things?

Noun Definition

A noun is a word that names something, such as a person, place, thing, or idea.

Nouns Examples:

PERSON	brother, lawyer, classmate, Chris
PLACE	Spain, city, bedroom, school
ANIMAL	dog, monkey, cat, bird
THING	pencil, bag , cellphone, car,
IDEA	justice, freedom, love

Proper Vs Common Nouns

A proper noun is a specific name of a person, place, or thing, and is always capitalized.

Examples: England, Kelly, The Sun

A common noun is the generic name of an item and is not capitalized (unless it's at the beginning of a sentence or in a title.)

Examples: pencil, river, bike

Singular vs Plural Nouns

When you are talking about one thing, a singular noun is used.

Example: pencil, tree, bike

When you are talking about more than one thing, a plural noun is used.

Example: pencils, trees, bikes

Plural Noun Rules

Let's look at how to change a singular noun into a plural noun....

Rule no.1

To make regular nouns plural,
add -s to the end.

one camera

two cameras

one cup

three cups

Rule no.2

If the singular noun ends in -s, -ss, -sh, -ch, -x, or -z, add **-es** to the end to make it plural.

one box

two box**es**

one bus

two bus**es**

Rule no.3

If a singular noun ends in -y and the letter before the -y is a consonant, change the ending to -ies to make the noun plural.

one puppy

two puppies

one bunny

two bunnies

Rule no.4

If the singular noun ends in -o, add -es to make it plural.

one
tomato

three
tomatoes

one
volcano

two
volcanoes

Rule no.5

Some nouns don't change at all when they're pluralized.

one sheep

two sheep

one deer

two deer

Rule no.6

Nouns that are irregular, don't follow any particular rules.

one mouse

two mice

one child

two children

Challenge

Write the correct plural form of each noun.

1. pencil
2. book
3. tomato
4. box
5. city
6. activity
7. potato
8. hero
9. sheep
10. child
11. tooth
12. pizza

Good Job!

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