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Nouns and Articles

Grammar Introduction

A Singular and Plural Nouns

| | Singular | Plural | |
|-----------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| -s | house tree | houses trees | • Singular means 'one.' Plural means 'two or more.' • To make most nouns plural, add -s . |
| -es | beach brush glass fox | beaches brushes glasses foxes | • Noun endings: -ch, -sh, -s, -x • Plural form: Add -es . |
| -ies | family story | families stories | • Noun ending: a consonant + -y • Plural form: Change y to i and add -es . |
| -ves | leaf knife | leaves knives | • Noun ending: -f or -fe • Plural form: Change f or fe to v and add -es . |
| Irregular | mouse sheep woman | mice sheep women | • No rules • More examples: child - children foot - feet man - men |

Write the singular or plural form.

| | Singular | Plural | | Singular | Plural |
|---|----------|---------|----|----------|-------------|
| 1 | cup | cups | 9 | mouse | |
| 2 | box | | 10 | peach | |
| 3 | family | | 11 | thief | |
| 4 | foot | | 12 | movie | |
| 5 | | men | 13 | | butterflies |
| 6 | | dresses | 14 | | sheep |
| 7 | | leaves | 15 | | rulers |
| 8 | | cities | 16 | | dishes |

B Count and Non-Count Nouns

| | Singular | Plural | |
|----------------|---------------------------------|---|---|
| Count Noun | a family a leaf one mouse | three families five leaves seven mice | • Count nouns can be counted with numbers. They have singular and plural forms. |
| Non-Count Noun | homework meat paper | - | • Non-count nouns cannot be counted with numbers. They have singular forms only. • Do not use a or an with non-count nouns. • More examples: money, rain, rice, snow, water |

Choose and write. Use **a** or **an** with count nouns.

apple clock desk homework letter meat paper water

Count Noun

Non-Count Noun

C Articles: A/An and The

| | | | |
|-----|--|---------------------------------|---|
| a | a bag a movie | a small igloo a new umbrella | • A and an mean 'one.' • Use a or an with singular nouns. • Put a before a consonant. • Put an before a vowel. |
| an | an igloo an umbrella | an old bag an exciting movie | |
| the | My mom is in the kitchen. Open the door, please. The Earth is round. | | • Use the before nouns that are 'specific.' • Use the before nouns that are 'one and only.' |

Write **a**, **an**, or **the**. Write **Ø** if no article is needed.

- 1 Amy has ____ cap and ____ hat. ____ cap is blue. ____ hat is red.
- 2 There is ____ milk and ____ cheese. ____ milk is white. ____ cheese is yellow.
- 3 It is ____ nice day. ____ sky is blue. ____ sun is bright.
- 4 Where are you? I'm in ____ living room.

