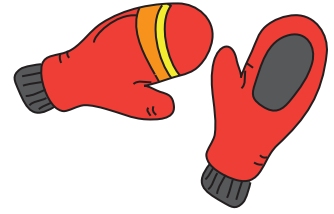




# Pick a Plural



Most singular nouns are made plural by adding -s.

There are some other rules to follow depending on what letter the noun ends in:

Nouns ending in:	Make plural by:	Example
ch, sh, ss, x, zz	add -es	lunch → lunches
a consonant and y	drop the y, add -ies	baby → babies
f or fe	drop the f, add -ves	elf → elves



Irregular plural nouns do not follow any rules. You must memorize them!

Example: man → men

mouse → mice

tooth → teeth

**Directions: Read the sentences. Choose the correct plural noun that best completes the sentence.**

1. Winter is a time of year when the \_\_\_\_\_ **leaves** \_\_\_\_\_ are not on the trees.  
leavs    leaves    leavies

2. It is the season when the \_\_\_\_\_ **days** \_\_\_\_\_ are the shortest.  
days    daies    dayes

3. The \_\_\_\_\_ **people** \_\_\_\_\_ bundle up because it is cold during winter.  
person    persons    people

4. Trees and \_\_\_\_\_ **plants** \_\_\_\_\_ stop growing in the winter.  
plantes    plants    plantse

5. \_\_\_\_\_ **Bunches** \_\_\_\_\_ of animals hibernate during the cold weather.  
Bunchs    Bunchies    Bunches

6. Some people leave the northern \_\_\_\_\_ **cities** \_\_\_\_\_ during the winter.  
citys    citis    cities

7. \_\_\_\_\_ **Children** \_\_\_\_\_ usually enjoy days off from school due to snow.  
Child    Childs    Children

8. Ice skating is a popular activity for \_\_\_\_\_ **families** \_\_\_\_\_ in winter.  
familys    familes    families