



Making words plural

When there is only one of something we call it a **singular** word.

When there are two or more of something we call it a **plural** word.

I am reading a book.



(singular)

I have three books by my bed.



(plural)

There are loads of books in the library.



(plural)

When words are written in the plural, we add an **s** to show that there are more than one.



The woman took her two **dogs** to the shops. She tied up the **dogs** and bought the **things** she needed. When she was finished, she packed her shopping into **bags** and walked the animals home.



BUT If a word ends in **ch**, **x**, **sh**, **s** or **ss**, then we add **es** rather than just **s** to make a plural.



There are **foxes** in my garden. I have seen them behind the bushes.

Some words make their plural in a different way, for example:

one man	two men
one woman	three women
one child	some children
one foot	two feet
one tooth	a mouthful of teeth

