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Practice

Phonics: Plural Words
with Spelling
Changes y to i

To form the **plural** of most nouns that end in a consonant plus y, change the **y** to an **i** and add **-es**. Nouns that end in a vowel plus y are formed by adding an **s** with no other spelling changes. Knowing this rule will help you decode plurals formed by root words ending in y.

A. Look at the underlined ending in each word below. If it is a vowel plus y, write the plural by adding -s. If it is a consonant plus y, write the plural by changing y to i and adding -es.

1. body

plural: _____

2. country

plural: _____

3. turkey

plural: _____

4. boy

plural: _____

5. ferry

plural: _____

6. essay

plural: _____

B. Write the correct plural form of each root word in the sentences below.

7. root word: toy

Please pick up the _____ in your room before you go out.

8. root word: baby

The twin _____ were taking a nap.

9. root word: copy

We made 20 _____ of the poster to hang up at school.

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