

Nouns That Have Irregular Plural Forms

Noun type	Forming the plural	Example
Ends with -f(e)	Change f to v then add -s or -es	knife → knives half → halves life → lives wolf → wolves wife → wives loaf → loaves
Ends with -o	Add -es	Potato → potatoes tomato → tomatoes volcano → volcanoes
ends with -us	Change -us to -i	cactus → cacti nucleus → nuclei focus → foci
ends with -um	Change -um to -a	bacterium → bacteria curriculum → curricula datum → data medium → media memorandum → memoranda
ends with -on	Change -on to -a	phenomenon → phenomena criterion → criteria
ends with -is	Change -is to -es	analysis → analyses crisis → crises thesis → theses
ALL KINDS	Change the vowel or Change the word or Add a different ending	man → men child → children woman → women ox → oxen foot → feet person → people tooth → teeth mouse → mice goose → geese louse → lice
Unchanging	Singular and plural are the same	sheep deer deer moose fish (sometimes) sheep bison swine