1 thing= singular word

two or more things = plural word.

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| Rule | Singular | Plural |
| Add an ‘s’ | book | book**s** |
| Words ending in ‘y’ (consonant before y) | lady | lad**ies** |
| Words ending in ’y’ (vowel before y) | toy | toy**s** |
| words ending in ‘x’, ‘sh’, ‘ch’, ‘s’ or ‘ss’ | church | churc**hes** |
| Words ending in ‘f’ or ‘fe’  Exceptions to the rule: words that originate from other languages e.g. French | leaf  café, chef, safe | leav**es**  cafe**s,** chef**s**, safe**s** |

**Irregular plurals**

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| Singular | Plural |
| man | men |
| woman | women |
| mouse | mice |
| deer | deer |
| sheep | sheep |
| foot | feet |
| tooth | teeth |