

## KS3 English Quiz - Nouns (Irregular Plural) 01 (Questions)

**Wolves, lives and thieves are examples of irregular plural nouns.** Although it may seem as if some nouns have irregular plurals which don't follow any rules, usually they do, only the rules they follow are very old!

With the examples of "wolves", "lives" and "thieves", the rule dictates that the f or -fe of "wolf", "life" and "thief" becomes a v when followed by s/-es. Other irregular plurals change the vowels instead. "Mouse" becomes "mice", for instance, "goose" becomes "geese", and "woman" becomes "women". Other words don't change at all, whether they are singular or plural, as in the case of "sheep" and "fish" (although "fishes" is acceptable where "sheepses" is not). Finally, English has a few words which retain very old plural forms, such as "child"/"children" and "ox"/"oxen". Some words, especially these familiar, domestic and farm-related, words, are not in a hurry to change to regular forms!

Play this quiz to see how well you know your irregular plural nouns.

1. Find the plural for the following word.

**Mouse**

- Mice
- Mices
- Mouses
- Mouse's

2. Find the plural for the following word.

**Ox**

- Oxen
- Oxen's
- Oxes
- Oxs

3. Find the plural for the following word.

**Goose**

- Geese
- Geeses
- Geoses
- Goose's

4. Find the plural for the following word.

**Child**

- Children
- Childrens
- Childs
- Child's

5. Find the plural for the following word.  
**Die (a cube used to play board games)**

- Dice
- Dices
- Dice's
- Dies

6. Find the plural for the following word.  
**Foot**

- Feet
- Feets
- Foots
- Foot's

7. Find the plural for the following word.

**Tooth**

- Teeth
- Teeths
- Tooths
- Tooth's

8. Find the plural for the following word.

**Gentleman**

- Gentlemans
- Gentleman's
- Gentlemen
- Gentlesmen

9. Find the plural for the following word.

**Dormouse**

- Dormice
- Dormices
- Dormouses
- Dormouse's

10. Find the plural for the following word.

**Woman**

- Womans
- Woman's
- Women
- Women's

## KS3 English Quiz - Nouns (Irregular Plural) 01 (Answers)

1. Find the plural for the following word.

**Mouse**

- Mice
- Mices
- Mouses
- Mouse's

"Mouse's" means "belonging to a mouse"!

2. Find the plural for the following word.

**Ox**

- Oxen
- Oxen's
- Oxes
- Oxs

But the plural of "fox" is "foxes"

3. Find the plural for the following word.

**Goose**

- Geese
- Geeses
- Geoses
- Goose's

But "moose" is the same whether singular or plural

4. Find the plural for the following word.

**Child**

- Children
- Childrens
- Childs
- Child's

Not "childs"!

5. Find the plural for the following word.

**Die (a cube used to play board games)**

- Dice
- Dices
- Dice's
- Dies

One cube is a "die" although we usually say "dice" anyway

6. Find the plural for the following word.

**Foot**

- Feet
- Feets
- Foots
- Foot's

Imagine if the plural of "boot" were "beet"! It's "boots", of course!

7. Find the plural for the following word.

**Tooth**

- Teeth
- Teeths
- Tooths
- Tooth's

But the plural of "booth" is "booths"

8. Find the plural for the following word.

**Gentleman**

- Gentlemans
- Gentleman's
- Gentlemen
- Gentlesmen

It's easy to remember this one, because the plural of "man" is "men"

9. Find the plural for the following word.

**Dormouse**

- Dormice
- Dormices
- Dormouses
- Dormouse's

Remember that the plural of "mouse" is "mice"

10. Find the plural for the following word.

**Woman**

- Womans
- Woman's
- Women
- Women's

"Woman's" means "belonging to a woman"