

# Singular and Plural



Nouns can either be:

- 1) **Singular:** one person or object
- 2) **Plural:** more than one person or object



monkeys



foxes

## Plural Spelling Rules

- 1) Most words add the suffix **-s** eg monkey -> monkeys
- 2) Words that end in a hissing sound add suffix **-es** eg glass -> glasses, fox-> foxes
- 3) Words that end in 'o' usually add **-s** but sometimes you need to add **-es**  
Eg disco -> discos, potato -> potatoes
- 4) Words ending in 'f' or 'fe' - change these to '**-ves**' eg loaf -> loaves or knife -> knives
- 5) Words that end in 'y' have 2 options:
  - a) if the letter before the 'y' is a **vowel** then add '**s**' eg toy -> toys
  - b) if the letter before the 'y' is a **consonant** then change the 'y' to '**ies**' eg daisies
- 6) Some plurals follow no rules eg man -> men, sheep -> sheep



potatoes



knives



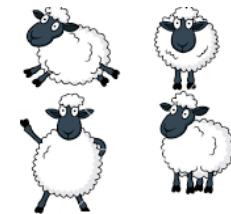
loaves



toys



daisies



sheep