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Nouns and adjectives

1 *cat, cats*: singular and plural nouns

Plurals: *s* ending

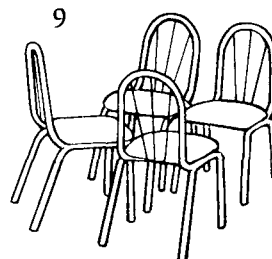
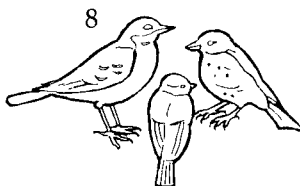
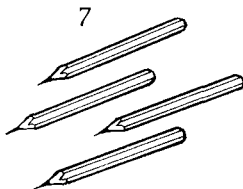
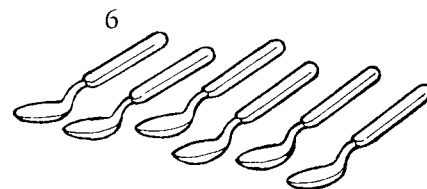
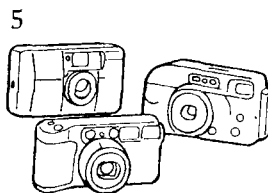
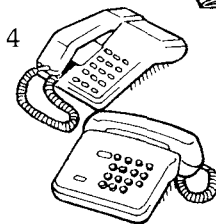
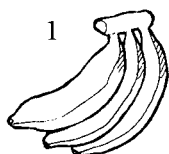
one dog	→	two dogs
one apple	→	two apples
one boy	→	two boys

- To make a singular noun plural, add *s*.

Practice

1a Complete the list, using these nouns and the pictures:

girl	pencil	telephone	bird	cup
camera	banana	newspaper	chair	spoon



1 *three bananas*

2 *two newspapers*

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Plurals: other spellings

one baby	→	two babies
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- Words ending in consonant + *y*: change *y* → *i* + *es*

a match	→	two matches
a box	→	two boxes
a brush	→	two brushes
a glass	→	two glasses
a bus	→	two buses

- Words ending in *ch*, *x*, *sh*, *ss*, *s*: add *es*.
- We add *es* to a few words ending in *o*:
a potato → *two potatoes*, *a tomato* → *two tomatoes*

Irregular plurals

a man	→	two men
a woman	→	two women
a child	→	two children
a person	→	two people
a foot	→	two feet
a tooth	→	two teeth

Practice**1b** Write the plurals.

address	<i>addresses</i>	eye		orange	
mountain	<i>mountains</i>	bag		person	
lorry		box		church	
waitress		school		egg	
secretary		lunch		apple	
sandwich		city		day	
child		hotel		boy	
match		watch		glass	
flower		animal		dish	
vegetable		fly		beach	
family		bus		dress	
dictionary		man		foot	

2 a, an: indefinite article

It's **a** present.
It's **a** lovely day.

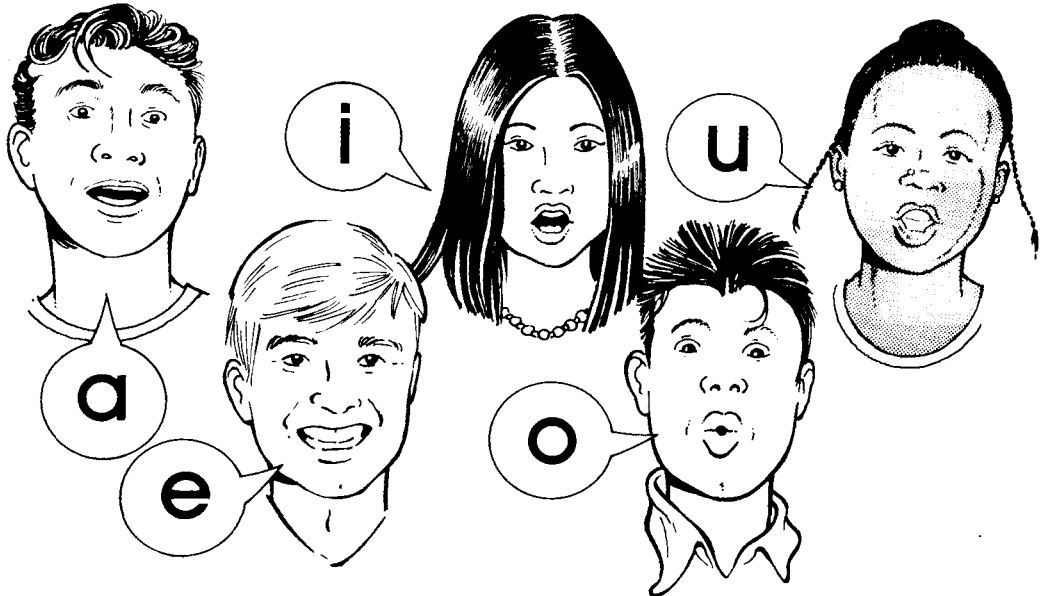
- We use **a** before consonants:
*Are you **a** doctor?*

Consonants

b	f	j	m	q	t	x
c	g	k	n	r	v	y
d	h	l	p	s	w	z

Here's **an** orange.
He's **an** old man now.

- We use **an** before vowels:
*I'm **an** English teacher.*



Vowels

a	e	i	o	u
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Practice

2 Complete the sentences using **a** or **an**.

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| 1 It's <i>...a...</i> new book. | 6 He's waiter. |
| 2 She's <i>...an...</i> English teacher. | 7 It's ugly house. |
| 3 Are you student? | 8 Here's ticket for the play. |
| 4 Britain is island. | 9 He's good worker. |
| 5 They're at restaurant. | 10 It's not easy language. |

3 *there is, there are*

There's a cat in the garden.
 There are twenty students in the class.
 Is there a hotel near here?
 Are there a lot of tourists in your town?

- *There is, there's* + singular noun.
There are + plural noun.
- Question forms:
Is there ...?
Are there ...?

Practice

3 Complete the sentences using *there's*, *there are*, *is there* or *are there*.

- 1 ...*There's*... a beach down here.
- 2 ...*There are*... four girls and two boys in her family.
- 3 a train to Manchester?
- 4 a new disco near the college.
- 5 a good restaurant in this street?
- 6 two hospitals in town.
- 7 a lot of children in the pool?
- 8 three families in that house.
- 9 a television in the flat?
- 10 a big grey cloud over there.

4 *I know her: subject and object pronouns*

Subject	Verb	Object
I	see	them.
She	knows	me.
We	don't like	it.

- We also use object pronouns after prepositions:
*Do you live with **them**?*
*Jenny works with **him**.*

Subject pronouns

I	you	she	he	it	we	they
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Object pronouns

me	you	her	him	it	us	them
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Practice

4a Circle the correct pronouns.

- 1 Can you help *we(us)* with these bags?
- 2 *(We)Us* usually see *they(them)* at the weekend.
- 3 How did you teach *he/him* to read?
- 4 *I/Me* write to *she/her* once a month.
- 5 *He/Him* loved *she/her* very much but *she/her* didn't love *he/him*.
- 6 Why did you ask *they/them* to come? *I/Me* don't like *they/them*.
- 7 *I/Me* don't think *she/her* understands *I/me*.
- 8 Please don't wait for *we/us*.
- 9 Did *they/them* tell *she/her* the news?
- 10 Would you like to come with *I/me*?

4b Complete these sentences with *me, you, her, him, it, us* or *them*.

- 1 I can't open this door. Could you open *..it..* for me, please?
- 2 Those shoes are really nice. I'd like to buy *..them..*
- 3 'Did you see Jonathon last night?' 'No, I phoned but he wasn't there.'
- 4 I can't do this homework. Can you help ..?
- 5 I asked a question but you didn't answer
- 6 We're not ready. Please give some more time.
- 7 She speaks very quickly. I can't understand
- 8 I'm sorry about your birthday. I'm afraid I forgot about
- 9 Jill's a very nice woman. Do you know ..?
- 10 My parents are coming this weekend. Would you like to meet ..?
- 11 They're not married now. She left a year ago.
- 12 'Where's your passport?' 'I don't know. I can't find ..?'
- 13 My mother writes to me every week but I don't write to very often.
- 14 Were you at the meeting last night? I didn't see there.
- 15 We want to help you. Please tell about your problems.