# COUNTABLE AND UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS



#### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

**ALL** students will be able to:-

**Explain what a countable and uncountable noun is. (L3c)** 

MOST students will be able to:-

Be able to identify countable and uncountable nouns (L3a)

SOME students will be able to:-

Understand and apply the spelling rules with 100% accuracy (L4c-a)

#### CAN YOU REMEMBER WHAT A NOUN IS?

A noun is.....

A person

A Place

A 'thing'

Some nouns are countable and some nouns are uncountable.

### **COUNTABLE NOUNS**



Countable nouns are the nouns <u>we can</u> <u>count</u>.

If there is only one (singular noun) we use a or an in front of it. e.g. a lemon, an apple

If there is more than one (plural noun) we usually add –s to the noun.
e.g. apples, lemons

If we want to ask about the quantity of a countable noun we use the phrase, **how many?** 

e.g. How many apples do you want?

#### **UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS**

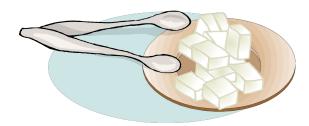
Uncountable nouns are nouns we cannot or do not count.

They are always in the singular form so we never use a or an with them.

However, we can use quantity words with them. e.g. a bag of, a cup of....

If we want to talk about quantity we use the phrase **how much** 

e.g. How much sugar do you want in your tea?



#### NOTE

Some nouns can be countable or uncountable.

This depends on if we are talking about a specific item or in general.

e.g. Let's buy two peppers (countable)

Let's buy peppers. (uncountable)



### **SPELLING RULES**

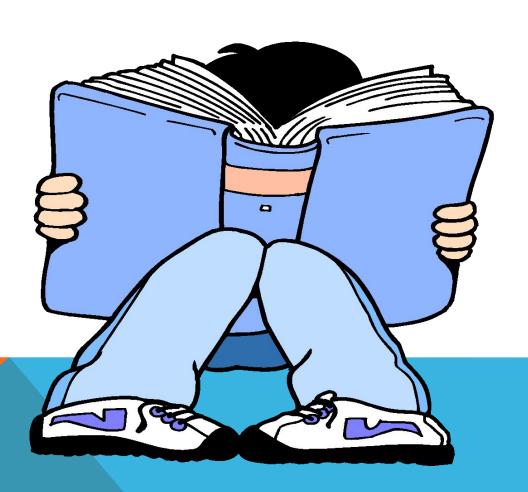
How to change a singular noun to a plural noun,

## **CAN YOU COMPLETE THE WORKSHEET?**

# **COPY THIS INTO YOUR BOOK**

Nouns	Plural forms	examples
most nouns	+ s	$\begin{array}{c} \text{duck} \rightarrow \text{ducks} \\ \text{apple} \rightarrow \text{apples} \end{array}$
ending in x, ss, ch, sh	+ es	church → churches peach → peaches
ending in a vowel + y	+s	$day \rightarrow days$ $toy \rightarrow toys$
ending in a consonant +y	- y and + ies	cherry →cherries lolly → lollies

# READ THE CONVERSATION AND CORRECT THE MISTAKES



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Lee: Four slices will be enough. We will need a cheese and four tomato.

Tom: I like to have ham in my sandwich.

Lee: Okay, how many ham do you want to put in?

Tom: Six slice should be enough.

Lee: Would you like a onion to eat with the cheese?

Tom: No thank you, but will it take long to make as I

am hungry.

Lee: No, about five minute.

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