

# Irregular Plural Nouns

Type of Change	Pattern	Singular	Plural
<b>Middle Vowel Change</b>	-a → -e	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>man</li> <li>woman</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>men</li> <li>women</li> </ul>
	-oo → ee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>foot</li> <li>tooth</li> <li>goose</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>feet</li> <li>teeth</li> <li>geese</li> </ul>
<b>Middle Vowel + Consonant Change</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>person</li> <li>mouse</li> <li>die</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>people</li> <li>mice</li> <li>dice</li> </ul>
<b>Ending Added</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>child</li> <li>ox</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>children</li> <li>oxen</li> </ul>
<b>Ending Change</b>	-f → -ves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>knife</li> <li>half</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>knives</li> <li>halves</li> </ul>
	-us → -i	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>cactus</li> <li>alumnus</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>cacti</li> <li>alumni</li> </ul>
	-sis → -ses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>crisis</li> <li>thesis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>crises</li> <li>theses</li> </ul>
	-um → -a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>bacterium</li> <li>datum</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>bacteria</li> <li>data</li> </ul>
<b>No Change</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>deer</li> <li>fish</li> <li>sheep</li> <li>species</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>deer</li> <li>fish</li> <li>sheep</li> <li>species</li> </ul>