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NOUNS/PLURALS

≈ 27 MIN

# Singular and Plural Nouns – *practice on paper*

You have built the lesson — now lock the rule in, brick by brick. New examples, same plural machine.

The base rule: noun + **-s** · the trap: **information**, advice, and feedback never take one

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BRICK 1 · SORT: -S OR NEVER? · APPROX. 4 MIN

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Read each word. Does it take **-s** in the plural? → left column. No plural at all? → right column. Careful: the right column is the German trap — these words are plural in German!

invoice information feedback deadline news laptop advice contract  
furniture workshop equipment customer

| TAKES -S | NEVER TAKES -S (UNCOUNTABLE) |
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BRICK 2 · FILL IN THE PLURAL FORM · APPROX. 6 MIN

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Fill in the right form of the word in brackets. Mostly you add **-s** or **-es**, sometimes the form is irregular — and sometimes nothing changes at all, because the word is uncountable.

- 01 We moved into two new \_\_\_\_\_ in Munich. (office)
- 02 We ordered three \_\_\_\_\_ for the workshop. (lunch)
- 03 We have customers in six German \_\_\_\_\_. (city)
- 04 Six \_\_\_\_\_ are waiting in the lobby. (person)
- 05 Four \_\_\_\_\_ from our team ran the charity race. (woman)
- 06 The \_\_\_\_\_ in the storage room are full. (shelf)
- 07 My manager gave me some useful \_\_\_\_\_ before the review. (advice)
- 08 The \_\_\_\_\_ in our lounge is brand new. (furniture)

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## BRICK 3 · FIND AND CORRECT THE MISTAKE · APPROX. 7 MIN



Each sentence hides exactly one mistake with the **plural**. Underline it and write the whole sentence correctly.

01 I need some informations about the seminar.

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02 She gave me good advices for the interview.

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03 We got a lot of helpful feedbacks from the testers.

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04 The childs are playing in the lobby.

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05 We work with three agencies in Berlin.

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06 Did you hear? The news about the merger are great.

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## BRICK 4 · WRITE YOUR OWN SENTENCES · APPROX. 8 MIN



Write one sentence for each prompt. Check every noun: does it take **-s**, a special form — or no plural at all?

01 Your working day: "This morning I answered ten ... and wrote two ..." — use two countable plural nouns.

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02 A thank-you: "Your ... was a great help." — use advice, feedback, or information (no -s!).

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03 Your team: "In our team there are ..." — describe your team with people, men, and women.

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04 Your company: "Our company has ... and works with ..." — use branches and agencies.

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## MINI-CHECK — CAN I DO THIS YET?

- ☐ I simply add -s to most nouns: "one invoice, two invoices".
- ☐ After s, sh, ch, x I use -es; consonant + y becomes -ies: "branches", "cities".
- ☐ I know the key irregular plurals: people, children, men, women, feet.
- ☐ information, advice, feedback, equipment, and news never take -s — I count them with "some", "a lot of", or "a piece of".

*Not every box ticked? Build the lesson once more and try this sheet again tomorrow.*



# Answer key

Check only when you have finished. Every answer comes with the **why** — the rule matters more than the result.

## BRICK 1 · SORTING

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| 01 two <b>invoices</b><br><i>Countable — base rule: noun + -s.</i>                       | 07 a piece of <b>advice</b><br><i>Uncountable — a single one only as "a piece of advice".</i> |
| 02 some <b>information</b><br><i>Uncountable — never takes -s; count it with "some".</i> | 08 two <b>contracts</b><br><i>Countable — plural with -s.</i>                                 |
| 03 some <b>feedback</b><br><i>Uncountable — one single form, never with -s.</i>          | 09 new <b>furniture</b><br><i>Uncountable — never "furnitures".</i>                           |
| 04 two <b>deadlines</b><br><i>Countable — plural with -s.</i>                            | 10 two <b>workshops</b><br><i>Countable — plural with -s.</i>                                 |
| 05 the <b>news</b><br><i>Ends in -s but is uncountable — no plural.</i>                  | 11 new <b>equipment</b><br><i>Uncountable — count it with "items of equipment".</i>           |
| 06 two <b>laptops</b><br><i>Countable — plural with -s.</i>                              | 12 two <b>customers</b><br><i>Countable — plural with -s.</i>                                 |

## BRICK 2 · FILL-IN

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| 01 two new <b>offices</b><br><i>Base rule: noun + -s.</i>                                | 05 Four <b>women</b><br><i>Irregular: woman → women.</i>                           |
| 02 three <b>lunches</b><br><i>After the hissing sound /tʃ/ add -es: lunch → lunches.</i> | 06 The <b>shelves</b><br><i>-f switches to -ves: shelf → shelves.</i>              |
| 03 six German <b>cities</b><br><i>Consonant + y turns into -ies: city → cities.</i>      | 07 some useful <b>advice</b><br><i>Uncountable — the form stays, no -s.</i>        |
| 04 Six <b>people</b><br><i>Irregular: person → people — no -s.</i>                       | 08 The <b>furniture</b><br><i>Uncountable — singular verb: "the furniture is".</i> |

## BRICK 3 · CORRECT

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| 01 I need some <b>information</b> about the seminar.<br><i>"Information" is uncountable and never takes -s.</i>    | 04 The <b>children</b> are playing in the lobby.<br><i>Irregular: child → children; "childs" does not exist.</i>                       |
| 02 She gave me good <b>advice</b> for the interview.<br><i>"Advice" is uncountable — "advices" does not exist.</i> | 05 We work with three <b>agencies</b> in Berlin.<br><i>Consonant + y → -ies: agency → agencies.</i>                                    |
| 03 We got a lot of helpful <b>feedback</b> from the testers.<br><i>"Feedback" is uncountable — never with -s.</i>  | 06 Did you hear? The news about the merger <b>is</b> great.<br><i>"News" is an uncountable singular — the verb stays singular: is.</i> |

## BRICK 4 · WRITE

Your sentences may differ — just check that every plural follows its rule and the uncountables stand without -s.

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| 01 "This morning I answered ten <b>emails</b> and wrote two <b>invoices</b> ."<br><i>Two countable nouns — just add -s.</i>         | 03 "In our team there are eight <b>people</b> : three <b>men</b> and five <b>women</b> ."<br><i>All three plurals are irregular: people, men, women.</i>       |
| 02 "Your <b>advice</b> was a great help."<br><i>"Advice" is uncountable — never with -s; feedback and information fit here too.</i> | 04 "Our company has four <b>branches</b> and works with two <b>agencies</b> ."<br><i>After /tʃ/ add -es (branches); consonant + y becomes -ies (agencies).</i> |

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