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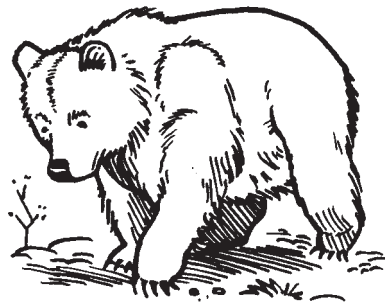
Plural Nouns

A **plural noun** indicates more than one person, place, or thing.

- To form the plural of most nouns, simply add an *s*.

Examples: The *bears* ate the picnic lunch.

Those *lawyers* work long hours.



Here are some other rules for forming plural nouns:

- To form the plural of nouns ending in *s*, *sh*, *ch*, or *x*, add *es*.

Examples: All of the fifth-grade *classes* can go home early. (class → classes)

The genie granted her three *wishes*. (wish → wishes)

I grew four *inches* last year. (inch → inches)

We moved those heavy *boxes* upstairs. (box → boxes)

- To form the plural of nouns ending in the consonant *y*, change the *y* to *i* and add *es*.

Examples: They visited four *cities* in Europe this summer. (city → cities)

Those *ladies* collected food for hungry children. (lady → ladies)

- To form the plural of nouns ending with a *vowel* + *y*, add an *s*.

Examples: There was a crowd around the *monkeys* at the zoo. (monkey → monkeys)

In college, you will write many *essays*. (essay → essays)

Write the plural form beside the singular nouns below.

1. cow _____

11. wish _____

2. baby _____

12. city _____

3. match _____

13. alligator _____

4. fox _____

14. crutch _____

5. turkey _____

15. key _____

6. candle _____

16. soda _____

7. party _____

17. hex _____

8. dress _____

18. web _____

9. lily _____

19. lunch _____

10. cry _____

20. dish _____

Prepositions

Prepositions are words that link a noun or pronoun following it to another word in the sentence. Here is a list of some of the most common prepositions:

above	at	from	out	under
across	behind	in	over	until
after	beneath	inside	outside	up
along	between	of	through	with
around	during	on	toward	

Part I: Circle the prepositions in the following sentences.

1. Great-horned owls live in abandoned nests.
2. Sometimes they live inside dead trees.
3. Other times, they nest on cliffs.
4. You can find owl pellets beneath their nests.
5. There are bones and feathers inside the pellets.
6. During the time that the owls are babies, their parents bring them food.
7. After several months, the baby owls are ready to fly.
8. They venture out of the nest cautiously.
9. You can observe Great-horned owls at night.
10. Watch out if one flies toward you!



Part II: Now, add prepositions to complete the following sentences.

1. To get to the fort, you must crawl _____ a fence.
2. Then you have to climb _____ a hill.
3. _____ the cow pasture, you'll see a yellow mailbox.
4. Walk _____ you spot a tree marked with an X.
5. _____ the tree, you'll find a wooden crate.
6. Climb _____ top of the crate and grab the lowest tree branch.
7. Once you're _____ the tree, you're almost there.
8. Look up, and you'll see the fort _____ you.
9. Pull yourself _____ to the front door.
10. Prepare to walk _____ the fort!