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Singular and Plural Noun Rules

1. **Most nouns, just add s.**
   Example: ship, ships nose, noses

2. **Most nouns ending in a consonant y, change the y to an i and add es.**
   Example: sky, skies daisy, daisies

3. **Nouns ending in o, add es or s.**
   Example: hero, heroes solo, solos

4. **Nouns ending in us, change the us to i.**
   Example: cactus, cacti nucleus, nuclei

5. **Most nouns ending in f or fe, change the f or fe to ves.**
   Example: half, halves

6. **Nouns ending in is, change is to es.**
   Example: crisis, crises

7. **Most nouns ending in ch, sh, s, or x, add es.**
   Example: bench, benches bush, bushes
   loss, losses tax, taxes

8. **Many two or three word compound nouns, add s to the main word.**
   Example: son-in-law, sons-in-law

9. **Some singular and plural nouns are the same.**
   Example: sheep

10. **Some nouns are exceptions to these rules. Some change a vowel, change the word, or add a different ending.**
    Example: woman, women person, people, tooth, teeth