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# Formation of plural nouns in english exercises

I Complete the following sentences using a suitable word with a negative prefix: repairable, eaten, attended, relevant, regular, imaginably, accurate, loyal, reliable, done, expensive, possible, visible, legible.

1. Win, spend and bite are ..... verbs.
2. Mike's handwriting is .....
3. Ultra-violet and infra-red rays are ..... in normal light.
4. The standard of living was almost ..... low in Tudor England.
5. It is ..... to live happily with someone who wants the window open when you want it shut.
6. Never leave valuables .....
7. The climate in England is .....
8. The cinema tickets have become ..... lately.
9. The food was found ..... in the ship's cabin.
10. She was too tired and a lot of work still .....
11. The book was full of ..... information.
12. He has done ..... harm to her reputation.
13. The report was ..... There were not 27 people at the meeting. In fact, only 17 people were present.
14. They were ..... to their own company.

II Use prefixes to form the opposite of the following nouns:

- ability
- legibility
- responsibility
- sincerity
- efficiency
- accuracy

B Use prefixes to form the opposites of these adjectives and adverbs:

- productive
- agreeable
- legal
- adjusted
- remarkable
- explicitly

C Use prefixes to make these verbs negative:

- do
- treat
- connect
- obey
- lead
- tie

III Fill each space in the sentence below with the correct form of the word in bold print:

- decide** They must come to a ..... today.  
**explain** I owe you an .....  
**admire** Attractive girls are always surrounded by many .....  
 I am full of ..... for what he has achieved.  
**courage** She tried to fight ..... against the robbers.  
**believe** It was an incredible story, quite .....  
 She is a person of very strong .....  
**agree** What an unpleasant, ..... man he is!  
 They divorced but they reached ..... about the child.  
**create** Agatha Christie is a ..... of Miss Marple and Hercule Poirot.  
 I ..... this job.

## UNIT 2 GRAMMAR

### Possessive Nouns

A noun that shows ownership is a **possessive noun**. Add an **apostrophe (')** and **-s** to a singular noun to make it possessive.

iceberg iceberg's edge

Add an **apostrophe (')** to a plural noun that ends in **-s**, **-es**, or **-ies** to make it possessive.

ships ships' flags berries berries' flavor

Some irregular plural nouns do not end in **-s**. To make these nouns possessive, add an **apostrophe (')** and **-s**.

women women's team people people's books

A Write the possessive noun in each sentence.

1. The students' job is to find out about glaciers.
2. Most of Earth's fresh water is stored in glaciers.
3. The snow's layers are packed down.
4. The children's teacher will show a film about ice sheets.
5. Two classmates' reports are about glaciers.

Write the possessive noun in ( ) to complete each sentence.

6. A man from an (explorers, explorers') club will speak to us.
7. All my (friends', friend's) parents are invited to come too.
8. Some of us have seen our (planets, planet's) icy mountains.
9. The (speakers, speaker's) photos were incredible.
10. He told us about walking over one (ridges', ridge's) edge.

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### Plural Nouns Worksheet

To form the plural form of most nouns, add **-s**  
 apple → apples blanket → blankets phone → phones  
 Add **-es** when a singular noun ends in **s, ch, sh, or x**  
 class → classes watch → watches

Write the plural form of each noun.

- |                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| 1. street _____   | 14. couch _____  |
| 2. bridge _____   | 15. bread _____  |
| 3. patch _____    | 16. doctor _____ |
| 4. rocket _____   | 17. tax _____    |
| 5. class _____    | 18. glass _____  |
| 6. wallet _____   | 19. cat _____    |
| 7. fox _____      | 20. lamp _____   |
| 8. pajama _____   | 21. house _____  |
| 9. sock _____     | 22. flash _____  |
| 10. nurse _____   | 23. table _____  |
| 11. address _____ | 24. church _____ |
| 12. inch _____    | 25. dog _____    |

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### PLURAL OF NOUNS

Write the plural form of these nouns:

- |                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| a box _____       | a story _____  |
| a boy _____       | a man _____    |
| a baby _____      | a deer _____   |
| a knife _____     | a bus _____    |
| a tomato _____    | a zoo _____    |
| a foot _____      | a door _____   |
| a city _____      | a mouse _____  |
| a child _____     | a turtle _____ |
| a gentleman _____ |                |
| a woman _____     | a cherry _____ |
| a tooth _____     | a kiss _____   |
| a scarf _____     | a goose _____  |
| a butterfly _____ |                |
| a sheep _____     | a wolf _____   |
| a hero _____      | a fish _____   |
| a deer _____      | a lion _____   |
| a bush _____      | a photo _____  |

Most nouns add **-s**  
 pen - pens  
 cup - cups

Nouns ending in **-ch, -sh, -s, -x, -z**  
 add **-es**  
 box - boxes  
 watch - watches

Nouns ending in **consonant + y** = **-ies**  
 country - countries

Nouns ending in **-f / -fe**  
 change to **-ves**  
 wife - wives

Certain nouns that end in **-o**, add **-es**  
 hero - heroes  
 potato - potatoes  
 photo - photos  
 piano - pianos  
 hippo - hippos

Irregular plurals:  
 a child - children  
 a man - men  
 a woman - women  
 a sheep - sheep  
 a person - people  
 a fish - fish  
 a tooth - teeth

