

PLURAL NOUNS

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Annotatsiya: Ushbu maqola ingliz tilidagi ko‘plik otlar (plural nouns)ning grammatik va pragmatik jihatlarini tahlil qiladi. Maqolada ko‘plik otlarni shakllantirish qoidalari, ular bilan bog‘liq fe‘l va zamon moslashuvlari, shuningdek, istisnolar va o‘quvchilarga amaliy mashqlar tavsiya etiladi.

Kalit so‘zlar: plural nouns, ko‘plik ot, fe‘l bilan kelishuv, ingliz tili grammatikasi, istisnolar, kontekst

Аннотация: В статье анализируются грамматические и прагматические аспекты множественного числа существительных (plural nouns) в английском языке. Рассматриваются правила образования множественного числа, согласование с глаголами и временами, а также исключения и практические упражнения для учащихся.

Ключевые слова: plural nouns, множественное число существительных, согласование с глаголом, грамматика английского языка, исключения, контекст

Annotation: This article analyzes the grammatical and pragmatic aspects of plural nouns in English. It examines the rules for forming plural nouns, agreement with verbs and tenses, exceptions, and practical exercises for learners. In English, plural nouns are used to indicate more than one person, animal, object, or concept. Each noun has specific rules for forming its plural, and they play a significant role in verb agreement.

Keywords: plural nouns, noun in plural form, verb agreement, English grammar, exceptions, context

Plural nouns not only enrich vocabulary but also clarify sentence structure. Therefore, learners must master the correct formation of plural nouns and their agreement with verbs.

Rules for Forming Plural Nouns**1. Regular Plurals**

Most nouns form the plural by adding -s:

cat → cats

book → books

car → cars

2. Nouns ending in -s, -ss, -sh, -ch, -x, -o

Add -es:

bus → buses

box → boxes

church → churches

3. Changing y to i + es

If a noun ends in y preceded by a consonant, change y → i + es

baby → babies

city → cities

4. Irregular Plurals

Some nouns change completely in the plural:

man → men

woman → women

child → children

foot → feet

tooth → teeth

mouse → mice

5. Uncountable Nouns

Nouns like water, sugar, and information do not have plural forms and take singular verbs:

Water is essential for life.

Information is available online.

Verb Agreement with Plural Nouns

1. Present Simple

Singular: The cat is sleeping.

Plural: The cats are sleeping.

2. Past Simple

Singular: The child played in the park.

Plural: The children played in the park.

3. Future Simple

Singular: The dog will run in the yard.

Plural: The dogs will run in the yard.

Rule: Plural nouns always require plural verb forms.

Usage Contexts of Plural Nouns

1. People and Animals

There are many students in the classroom.

The dogs are playing in the garden.

2. Objects and Things

I bought three books yesterday.

The chairs in the room are comfortable.

3. Collective or General Term

The police are investigating the case.

Many countries participated in the conference.

Practical Exercises

1. Singular → Plural

Transform the following nouns into plural

baby → ____

box → ____

man → ____

tooth → ____

2. Verb Agreement

Fill in the blanks with the correct verb form

The cats ____ (sleep) on the sofa.

The children ____ (play) football in the park.

3. Negative and Interrogative Sentence

Form negative sentences with plural nouns:

The dogs are not hungry.

Form questions:

Are the books on the table?

Conclusion

Plural nouns are a fundamental part of English grammar. They help clarify sentence structure, enrich vocabulary, and ensure proper verb agreement. Therefore, learners need to thoroughly understand the rules for forming plural nouns, their exceptions, and their appropriate usage in context.

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