Plural Nouns: -s, -es, -ies

Grade 3

Name _____ Date _____

Remember: a noun names a person, place, thing or idea. Add -s to most nouns. Add -es after s, x, ch and sh. If a noun ends in a consonant + y, change y to i and add -es.

-s: cat → cats **-es:** box → boxes **-ies:** baby → babies (but toy → toys)

1. Sort by the plural rule

How does each noun become plural? Write it in the right column.

box | cat | baby | book | bus | city | toy | dish | puppy | key | peach | berry

add -s	add -es	y to -ies
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

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2. Choose the correct plural

Circle the plural that is spelled correctly.

1. There are three _____ on the table. — glasss / glasses / glassies
2. Two _____ ran into the woods. — foxs / foxies / foxes
3. The _____ wore big hats at the party. — ladies / ladys / ladyes
4. We stayed for four _____. — daies / days / dayes
5. Make three _____ before you blow out the candles. — wishs / wishies / wishes
6. I found five _____ under the couch. — pennys / pennies / pennyes
7. The waiter carried two _____. — trays / traies / trayes
8. We packed our _____ for the field trip. — lunchies / lunchs / lunches

Answer Key

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1. Sort by the plural rule

add -s	add -es	y to -ies
cat	box	baby
book	bus	city
toy	dish	puppy
key	peach	berry

2. Choose the correct plural

1. There are three **glasses** on the table. — glasss / **glasses** / glassies
2. Two **foxes** ran into the woods. — foxs / foxies / **foxes**
3. The **ladies** wore big hats at the party. — **ladies** / ladys / ladyes
4. We stayed for four **days**. — daies / **days** / dayes
5. Make three **wishes** before you blow out the candles. — wishs / wishies / **wishes**
6. I found five **pennies** under the couch. — pennys / **pennies** / pennyes
7. The waiter carried two **trays**. — **trays** / traies / trayes
8. We packed our **lunches** for the field trip. — lunchies / lunchs / **lunches**