



NOUNS



PLURAL OF NOUNS

exercises

COUNTABLE and UNCOUNTABLE nouns

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FOR ESL / EFL LEARNERS

regular and irregular plural of nouns

with KEY



EXERCISES:

Points: _____

1. Choose the correct form of the verb, whether singular or plural (certain sentences can have both options):

1. Economics at my faculty is/are very hard to pass.
2. The police is/ are coming.
3. The Government is/are trying to control what you think.
4. Water is/are good for you.
5. Here is/are the news from the BBC.
6. Shingles is/are a viral infection that causes a painful rash.
7. Darts is/are my favourite game in a pub.
8. Dominoes is/are played all over the world.
9. The surroundings is/are quiet.
10. The outskirts of the city is/are rather dull.



Points: _____

3. Write the plurals of the following nouns (some can take two forms):

1. alga-
2. datum-
3. criterion-
4. phenomenon-
5. maximum-
6. aquarium-
7. syllabus-
8. virus-
9. basis-
10. thesis-
11. radius-
12. fungus-
13. vertebra-
14. alumna-
15. nucleus

Points: _____

2. Make the following nouns countable (there are different options, below are just examples:)

1. information _____
2. rice _____
3. sugar _____
4. cheese _____
5. bread _____
6. furniture _____
7. butter _____
8. sand _____
9. salt _____
10. news _____
11. chocolate _____
12. wine _____
13. cake _____
14. advice _____
15. jam _____



Points: _____

Correct the following sentences:

4.

1. I'll give you two good advices.
2. My friend has lots of experiences in teaching languages.
3. There is some goods I need to buy.
4. Look at all those furnitures!
5. I think that measles are a very dangerous disease.



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Points: _____

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*The noun Government can take either singular or plural verbs depending on the context. In this case it is seen as a whole and takes a verb in singular.



Points: _____

2. Make the following nouns countable (there are different options, below are just examples:)

1. a piece of information
2. a bowl of rice
3. a lump of sugar
4. a slice of cheese
5. a loaf of bread
6. a piece of furniture
7. a pat of butter
8. a grain of sand
9. a pinch of salt
10. a piece of news
11. a bar of chocolate
12. a bottle of wine
13. a piece of cake
14. a piece of advice
15. a jar of jam



Points: _____

3. Write the plurals of the following nouns (some can take two forms):

1. alga - **algae**
2. datum - **data**
3. criterion - **criteria**
4. phenomenon - **phenomena**
5. maximum - **maxima/maximus**
6. aquarium - **aquaria**
7. syllabus - **syllabuses/syllabi**
8. virus - **viruses**
9. basis - **bases**
10. thesis - **theses**
11. radius - **radii**
12. fungus - **fungi**
13. vertebra - **vertebrae**
14. alumna - **alumni**
15. nucleus - **nuclei/nucleuses**

Points: _____

Correct the following sentences:

4.

1. I'll give you two good **pieces of advice**.
2. My friend has lots of **experience** in teaching languages.
3. There **are** some goods I need to buy.
4. Look at all that **furniture**!
5. I think that measles **is** a very dangerous disease.



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