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1 Singular Nouns and Plural Nouns

A noun is a name word. A **singular noun** names one person, place, thing, or idea. A **plural noun** names more than one. The plural of most nouns is formed by adding *-s* or *-es* to the singular form. For nouns ending in *y* after a consonant, change the *y* to *i* and add *-es*, such as *daisies*. Some singular nouns use a different word to show the plural. Some nouns use the same word for the singular and the plural.

A Write the plura	l form for each noun.
1. ranch _	6. journey
2. berry _	7. class
3. mouse _	8. tooth
4. barrel _	9. bus
5. fish _	10. species
B Complete each	n sentence with the plural form of the noun provided.
field	 Students can work in a number of different
inquiry	2. They have a wide range of tools for their scientific
computer	 are used to tabulate data and to compare results.
change	 In the lab, students can manipulate
series	 Students can study of changes in physical systems.
process	Complicated scientific can be simulated in a lab.
instrument	7. Students have access to sophisticated
dish	8. Biology students can grow cultures in petri
microscope	9. They can observe cells with high-powered
technology	10. The in labs have improved science education.

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For nouns ending in *o* after a vowel, form the plural by adding -*s* to the singular form. For some nouns ending in *o* after a consonant, form the plural by adding -*es* to the singular. For some nouns ending in *f* or *fe*, change the *f* or *fe* to *v* and add -*es*. For most compound words, form the plural by adding -*s*. For some compounds, make the principal word plural.

Write the plu	iral fo	orm for each noun.		
1. sister-in-	law	б.	hero	
 potato cell phone leaf 			scarf	
			mouthful	
			safe	
5. tie-in		10.	attorney ger	neral
Complete ea	ch se	ntence with the plural form o	f the noun pr	ovided.
cliff swallow	1.	ofte	en live close to	people.
gourd	2.	Their nests are made of mud a	and are shape	d like
entrance	3.	The	to the nests f	ace downward.
cliff	4.	The nests are usually built under bridges or on		on
roof	5.	Sometimes they are built und	er the eaves o	of
colony	6.	Some cliff swallow 35,000 nests.		_ contain more than
mosquito	7.	These birds eat flies,		, and beetles.
clutch	8.	The mother birds lay		of three or four eggs.
bull snake	9.	Predators such as		eat many of the eggs.
migrant	10.	Every spring these		_ return to San Juan Capistrano



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3 Nouns as Subjects and Subject Complements

A noun can be the subject of a sentence. The **subject** tells whom or what the sentence is about.

Colonists waged war against the British.

A noun that renames or identifies the subject is a **subject complement**. A subject complement follows a linking verb, such as *be* and its various forms (*am, is are, was, were*), *become,* and *remain*.

The war was the beginning of a new nation.

Write **S** if the underlined noun is the subject of the sentence. Write **SC** if it is the subject complement.

 1.	Benjamin Franklin had a fascinating career.
 2.	He was a man who was interested in many topics.
 3.	Though born in Boston, Franklin became a printer in Philadelphia.
 4.	His newspaper, the <i>Philadelphia Gazette</i> , became quite popular.
 5.	His wise <u>sayings</u> , published in <i>Poor Richard's Almanac</i> , are still popular.
 6.	A library and a fire department were two improvements he instituted for Philadelphia.
 7.	Passionate about exploring unanswered questions, <u>Franklin</u> joined the Leather Apron Club.
 8.	By experimenting with a kite, <u>Franklin</u> discovered that electricity and lightning are the same thing.
 9.	The Franklin stove was his invention.
 10.	Franklin was a deep <u>thinker</u> who became interested in the politics of our young nation.
 11.	Franklin was a writer and a signer of the Declaration of Independence.
 12.	After the Revolutionary War began, <u>Franklin</u> went abroad to forge an alliance with France.
 13.	Many people he met at the French court became his <u>friends</u> .
 14.	At the age of 81, Franklin was one of the <u>authors</u> of the U.S. Constitution.
 15.	What an interesting life Benjamin Franklin had.

Benjamin Franklin shared his talents by inventing things that helped people in their daily lives and by participating in civic life. Give an example of how you can help others by sharing your talents.

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4 Nouns as Objects

A noun can be used as a direct object or an indirect object of a verb or as an object of a preposition. The **direct object** answers the question *whom* or *what* after a verb. The **indirect object** tells *to whom, for whom, to what,* or *for what* the action was done. A noun that follows a preposition in a prepositional phrase is called the **object of the preposition**.

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- Underline each noun used as an object. Above each, write **DO** if it is a direct object, **IO** if it is an indirect object, and **OP** if it is the object of a preposition.
 - 1. History gives us many puzzles, such as the disappearance of Amelia Earhart.
 - 2. Even at an early age, Amelia experienced excitement at the thought of flight.
 - 3. Flying offered Amelia unique opportunities with new challenges.
 - 4. She set many records for solo and nonstop flights before she attempted a flight around the world.
 - 5. Her tragic disappearance during that trip gives historians a true mystery to solve.
 - 6. Dad's company produces parts for automobiles and for mopeds.
 - 7. Over the years car designers have given customers some great designs.
 - 8. Designers specify the size and other features of each new design.
 - 9. I'm awaiting the arrival of a car with built-in video games and a snack bar.
 - 10. My dream car has fenders that become wings in traffic jams so it can fly.
 - 11. Instruction manuals give buyers information about the operation and care of their cars.
 - 12. When shopping for a car, a person should consider safety features.
 - 13. Many people search the Internet for information on prices and models.
 - 14. Driver education instructors teach students traffic laws and proper driving procedures.
 - 15. Have you seen the announcement about the auto show at the coliseum?

Nouns as Object Complements 5

A noun can be used as an object complement. Just as a subject complement renames the subject, an **object complement** renames the direct object of a verb.

The people elected George W. Bush president.

Α If the italicized word is an object complement, write **OC** above it. If it is not an object complement, write **N**.

- 1. They considered the evening meal a *disaster*.
- 2. The sun is about 93 million *miles* from Earth.
- 3. Sharon and Hamad named their daughter Grace.
- 4. Sue calls her floral shop Love in Bloom.
- 5. Christine and Mari completed a 10-mile hike.
- 6. At the memorial service, Arturo gave the first reading.
- 7. In art class the students made black-and-white abstract drawings.
- 8. The organizers of the parade appointed the mayor grand marshal.
- 9. Many Southerners call the Civil War the War Between the States.
- 10. The physics committee named Dr. Ernst Ruska the 1986 Nobel Prize winner.
- Use an appropriate noun phrase from Column 2 as an object complement to complete B each sentence.

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The school board designated the first Monday in April The organizing committee called our fund-raising event Once again the principal named Neil Because she tries so hard, the other athletes consider May **Neil appointed Harry**

COLUMN 2

the Fun Run a good sport **Activity Day** the official scorekeeper chairperson for the event

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6 Appositives

An **appositive** is a word that follows a noun and renames it. An **appositive phrase** is an appositive and its modifiers. A **nonrestrictive appositive** is not necessary in order to understand the sentence; it is set off by commas. A **restrictive appositive** is necessary to understand the sentence; it is not set off by commas.

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NONRESTRICTIVE APPOSITIVEGeorge Washington, our first president, was a surveyor.RESTRICTIVE APPOSITIVEThe 18th-century printer Parson Weems wrote a biography
of George Washington.

A Circle the appositive in each sentence. Underline the noun it renames.

- 1. Mason Locke Weems, an early historian, was born in Dumfries, Virginia, in 1759.
- 2. Weems, an Episcopal minister, served as the rector of a parish in Virginia.
- 3. To support his large family, he became a book agent for Matthew Carey, a Philadelphia publisher.
- 4. Later he wrote several books, mostly political and moral works.
- 5. His book The Life of Washington tells the tale of George chopping down a cherry tree.
- B Identify the appositive in each sentence and decide whether it is restrictive or nonrestrictive. Correct the sentences with nonrestrictive appositives by rewriting them and adding commas where necessary.
 - 1. Phillis Wheatley a girl born in Africa in about 1753 was sold into slavery in 1761.
 - 2. John Wheatley a prosperous Boston merchant bought her as a servant for his wife.
 - 3. Phillis a sickly girl was encouraged by the Wheatleys to study literature.
 - 4. Her book *Poems on Various Subjects* was the first book of poetry ever published by an African American.
 - 5. John Wheatley emancipated Phillis in 1767, and in 1778 she married John Peters a free black Bostonian.

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7 Possessive Nouns

A **possessive noun** expresses possession or ownership. Add -'s to singular nouns and to irregular plural nouns to form possessive nouns.

cat's paws women's shoes

Add only an apostrophe (') to plural nouns that end in s.

students' papers hostesses' jobs

Write the singular possessive and the plural possessive of each word.

			SINGULAR POSSESSIVE	E PLURAL POS	SSESSIVE	coat
	1. child					
	2. hero	_				
	3. man					
	4. pilot					
	5. writer	_				
	6. secretary	_				
	7. son-in-law	_				
	8. judge	_				
	9. actress					
	10. officer	_				
B	Complete each s sister-in-law		nce with the possessive o	of the noun at the left. watch is very valuabl	e.	lar
	David			pen?		
	Mr. Enley		the lost items was clear.			eye
	police officers	4.	The was different.	opinion		
	men	5.	All the was gone.	jewelry		
	Sally	6.	We looked in the drawer	for	silver.	
	weeks	7.	Mr. King donated two the notice.	fre	e ad space for	
	readers	8.	The	papers carried news	of the thefts.	big
	culprit	9.	The	motive was uncover	ed.	
	Ms. Alexis	10.		_ detective work paid off.		T

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8 Separate and Joint Possession

Separate possession exists when two or more people own things independently of each other. To show separate possession, add -'s to each noun.

John's and Jack's tools

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Joint possession exists when two or more people own something together. To show joint possession, add -'s to the last noun only.

John and Jack's hardware store

	1. Arthur's and Henry's songs were well-performed.
	2. It was a good start to North High and South High's art fair.
	3. Julia's and Roy's sculptures both used found objects this year
	4. We visited the art exhibit at North's and South's art rooms.
	5. Consuela's and her sister's paintings received awards.
	6. We always look forward to Jane's and Ann's performances.
	7. Tomorrow we will hear Gilbert and Sullivan's opera The Mikad
	8. Margo and Anthony's sets really portrayed the mood.
	A group performed a choral reading of Longfellow's and Whittier's poems.
1	 This year awards were given by Thompson and Moreno's Art Emporium.
For each phrase write a se Rembrandt and Leonardo	entence that shows separate ownership.
Jupiter and Saturn	2.
Jupiter and Saturn	2
Canada and Mexico	3
Canada and Mexico Sara and Eddie	3.
Canada and Mexico Sara and Eddie car and truck	3.
Canada and Mexico Sara and Eddie car and truck	3.
Canada and Mexico Sara and Eddie car and truck	3.
Canada and Mexico Sara and Eddie car and truck For each phrase write a se	3.
Canada and Mexico Sara and Eddie car and truck For each phrase write a se Mom and Dad	3.
Canada and Mexico Sara and Eddie car and truck For each phrase write a se Mom and Dad Lewis and Clark	3.

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Reviewing Nouns 9

Write **S** if the italicized noun is singular or **P** if it is plural.

- 1. Astronomers are discovering much about the *planet*.
- 2. We, the scientists, are thrilled with the news.
 - 3. Mars might have had life forms.
 - 4. Women have played an important part in space travel.
 - 5. *Water* has been shown to be trapped between the rocks on Mars.



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Write the plural of each of the following singular nouns.

- _____ 11. sheep 6. hoof
- 12. chocolate chip 7. freeman
- 8. patio _____ 13. рорру
- 9. crossroad _____ 14. commander in chief
- 10. wharf 15. earful

Identify the way each italicized noun is used. Use S for subject, SC for subject complement, and APP for appositive.

- _____ 16. At least 50 times a year the *Empire State Building* is struck by lightning.
- _____ 17. Hippocrates, the *Father of Medicine*, applied logic to medicine.
 - ____ 18. A major improvement in health care was the *development* of vaccines.
 - _____ 19. *Triskaidekaphobia* is the fear of the number 13.
- 20. One major tourist attraction is the *Great Wall of China*.
- ____ 21. Robinson Crusoe, a marooned sailor, was stranded on an island for 28 years.

Write whether the possessive nouns express separate or joint ownership.

- 22. Last week we celebrated Joan and Henry's wedding anniversary.
- 23. Michael's and Dan's gifts were the same.
 - 24. Celia Cruz's and Louis Armstrong's CDs are still popular.
 - 25. We watched Ann and Jack's dance steps at the reception.

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E	Write the singular possessive and the plural possessive of each word.				
		SINGULAR POSSESSIVE	PLURAL POSSESSIVE		
	26. brother-in-law				
	27. deer				
	28. woman				
	29. hostess				
	30. goose				
F	an indirect object (I	s are used as objects. Write whether (O), or the object of a preposition (Y Ford began his motor <i>company</i> in	(OP).		

9 Reviewing Nouns, continued

- _____ 32. He employed 12 workers and made his cars in a factory.
- ____ 33. Soon Ford ran out of money.
- _____ 34. A friend's sister gave Ford a loan.
- _____ 35. Soon many people wanted Model Ts.
 - _____ 36. The company offered *Ford* a way to become wealthy.

notor *company* in 1903.

- Write whether each italicized noun is used as an appositive G (APP) or an object complement (OC).
 - _____ 37. The basketball team chose Patrick *captain*.
 - _____ 38. Have you seen Christie's new horse, Midnight?
 - _____ 39. I cheered for my favorite team, the Yankees.
 - _____ 40. The Bulls called their mascot *Benny*.

Try It Yourself

On a separate sheet of paper, write four sentences about a person or a place. Be sure to use nouns correctly.

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Check Your Own Work

Choose a piece of writing from your writing portfolio, a journal, a work in progress, an assignment from another class, or a letter. Revise it, applying the skills you have learned. This checklist will help you.

- Have you used the correct spellings of plural nouns?
- Have you used nouns in a variety of ways?
- Have you used possessive nouns correctly?