

Plural Form Detectives

Sort plural forms. Explain two choices. Make your own.

2.L.GC.1.19 "Grammar: Form and use irregular plural nouns. (Continue)"

NAME _____

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CORRECT FORM

The plural noun is written the right way. Some nouns change their spelling instead of adding s or es.

one person, two people

NEEDS A FIX

The plural noun is not written the right way. Use the special plural form instead.

one ox, two oxes

1 SORT 8 items

Read each phrase and circle CORRECT or FIX.

1. two geese

CORRECT

FIX

2. four children

CORRECT

FIX

3. three foot

CORRECT

FIX

4. five mice

CORRECT

FIX

5. two deers

CORRECT

FIX

6. three womans

CORRECT

FIX

7. six sheep

CORRECT

FIX

8. four mans

CORRECT

FIX

2 PROVE IT Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN One of each

Write one new CORRECT plural phrase and one new FIX plural phrase.

CORRECT _____

FIX _____

CHALLENGE

Write a sentence that uses an irregular plural noun correctly.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	two geese	CORRECT	Goose changes to geese.
2	four children	CORRECT	Child changes to children.
3	three foot	FIX	Foot changes to feet when there is more than one.
4	five mice	CORRECT	Mouse changes to mice.
5	two deers	FIX	The plural of deer is deer.
6	three womans	FIX	Woman changes to women.
7	six sheep	CORRECT	The plural of sheep is sheep.
8	four mans	FIX	Man changes to men.

PART 2 • PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 • MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **CORRECT:** three oxen
- **FIX:** two childs

Challenge: The men carried the boxes.

For Part 2, accept explanations that tell the singular noun and its correct plural form. For Part 3, accept other accurate irregular plural examples that do not copy a worksheet item.