

Some basic spelling rules and tips

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Nouns

1. to make plurals, we add **s**
2. if a noun ends on -ch, -o, sh, -ss, -x, we add **es**
church/churches;
3. if a noun ends in a consonant and -y,
y is changed to **ies**
- 4 some plurals are irregular or don't change.

Adjectives

two/to/too

I/eye

Examples

bed/beds; cat/cats;
table/tables, potato/potatoes;
baby/babies, hobby/hobbies the

Note: In German : Hobbys
man/men

Examples

Two is one plus one. /
Come **to** me. /
Yes, you **too**.
I have a tear in my **eye**.

Common spelling mistakes

Correct	NOT
successful	succesfull
beautiful	beautifull
receive	recieve

Similar but different Examples

loose/lose
desert/dessert
stationary/stationery
personal/personnel

Your shoelaces are **loose**. / Don't **lose** your money!
In the **desert** there is no rain. / After the meal we got **dessert**.
The train is **stationary**. (not moving) / Pens and paper are **stationery**.
That is a **personal** question and is none of your business. /
The **personnel** work at the company.