## BBC Learning English Quiznet Plurals



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<ul> <li>a) fishes of salmon</li> <li>b) salmon fishes</li> <li>c) salmon</li> <li>d) salmons</li> </ul> 2. This country has been hit by <ul> <li>a) crisis</li> <li>b) crises</li> <li>c) crisisses</li> </ul>	end and caught two	
d) crissi  3. Could I have a) two dozen eggs b) two dozens eggs c) two dozen egg d) two dozens egg	and some butter please?	
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5. There's so much a) traffics / lorries b) traffic / lorrys c) traffics / lorrys d) traffic / lorries	on the roads. You can hardly	move for cars and
6. I've visited quite a few before. a) zoos / monkeys / gorillaes b) zooes / monkeys / gorillas c) zoos / monkeies / gorillas d) zoos / monkeys / gorillas	but I've never seen suc	ch cute and

## **ANSWERS:** 1. He went fishing at the weekend and caught two a) fishes of salmon b) salmon fishes c) salmon d) salmons a) You only need one of these three words to make the plural of *salmon*. b) You only need one of these two words to make the plural of salmon. c) Well done! This word has the same singular and plural form. d) This word has the same singular and plural form so you don't need to put an s on the end of it to make plural. 2. This country has been hit by two economic in the last ten years. a) crisis b) crises c) crisisses d) crissi a) This is the singular form of this word. You need the plural form here. b) Well done! The correct plural form of crisis is crises. c) You can make some words plural by adding es (for example, watch watches) but crisis doesn't follow this rule. d) You can make some words plural by taking off some of the letters and adding i (for example, octopus octopi) but crisis doesn't follow this rule.

- 3. Could I have \_\_\_\_\_ and some butter please?
- a) two dozen eggs
- b) two dozens eggs
- c) two dozen egg
- d) two dozens egg
- a) Correct! *Dozen* is a noun that has a plural without s when it comes after a number (two). It's like three hundred or five million.
- b) *Dozen* is a noun that has a plural without s when it comes after a number (two). It's like three hundred or five million.
- c) *Dozen* is a noun that has a plural without s when it comes after a number (two). It's like three hundred or five million.
- d) *Dozen* is a noun that has a plural without s when it comes after a number (two). It's like three hundred or five million.

4. Jack has some unusual pets. His favourites are his three pet		
<ul><li>a) goose</li><li>b) gooses</li></ul>		
c) geese		
d) geeses		
a) This is the singular form of this word. You need the plural form of this word.		
b) The plural of goose is irregular. It's like child children or mouse mice.		
c) Right! This is the correct plural of goose.		
d) This is almost right. You just have one too many letters here.		
5. There's so much on the roads. You can hardly move for cars and		
a) traffics / lorries		
b) traffic / lorrys		
c) traffics / lorrys		
d) traffic / lorries		
a) The second answer is correct but the first one is an uncountable noun (like <i>information</i> or <i>accommodation</i> ).		
b) The first answer is correct but the second one follows the rule that if a word ends in a		
consonant + y, the plural is ies (like ladies or parties).		
c) Neither of these answers is correct. The first one is an uncountable noun (like <i>information</i>		
or <i>accommodation</i> ) and the second one follows the rule that if a word ends in <i>a consonant</i> $+ y$ the plural is <i>ies</i> (like <i>ladies</i> or <i>parties</i> ).		
d) Correct! Both these answers are right.		
6. I've visited quite a few but I've never seen such cute and before.		
a) zoos / monkeys / gorillaes		
b) zooes / monkeys / gorillas		
c) zoos / monkeies / gorillas		
d) zoos / monkeys / gorillas		
a) The first two answers are correct but the third one is a regular plural which needs only an <i>s</i> (like <i>peas</i> or <i>sofas</i> ).		
b) The last two answers are correct but the first one is a regular plural which needs only an s		
(like radios or videos).		
c) The first and the last answers are correct but the second one follows the rule that if a word		
ends in a vowel + y, the plural is $y + s$ (like toys or plays).		
d) Correct! All these answers are right.		
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