

GRAMMAR STD V -CH 1 NOUNS

EXPLANATION

Nouns- A noun is a naming word. It refers to a person, place, animal or thing. Eg: Tom, Ranchi, girl, dog, pen, etc.

It can be further classified into various types:

1. **Common Noun-** A general name given for a group of person, place, animal or thing. A Common noun is not written in capital letter. Eg: girls, city, etc.
2. **Proper Noun-** A noun that is used to identify an individual person, place, animal or thing. It is always written in capital letter. Eg: Ravi, London etc.
3. **Singular Noun-** A noun that identifies one person, place, thing or idea is known as a Singular Noun. Eg: boy, car, city, etc
4. **Plural Noun-** A noun that names more than a person, place, thing or an idea is known as a Plural Noun. Most of the singular nouns becomes plural when an 's' is added to it. Eg: boys, cars, cities etc.

Plural Nouns can further be classified in two categories:

- a) Regular Plurals
 - b) Irregular Plurals
- a) Regular Plurals-** Nouns that form Plurals by adding -s or -es are called regular plurals.
Eg: girl-girls
class- classes
- b) Irregular Plurals-** Some nouns form plurals by changing their spellings. Such nouns are called irregular plurals.
- Rule: 1.** Nouns ending with -y is changed to plural by adding -ies to it and removing y like:
baby-babies
- Rule :2** Nouns ending with -f,-fe (except dwarf-dwarfs) changes to plural by removing -f and adding -ves like: calf-calves
- Rule: 3** Some nouns change vowels in plural form like: man- men
- Rule: 4** Some nouns completely changes their forms in plural like: ox- oxen
- Rule: 5** Some nouns remain the same in singular as well as plural like: deer-deer
- Rule: 6** Some nouns are always used in the plural like : scissors , trousers and spectacles.

Rule: 7 Some nouns have only singular forms like: news, furniture and scenery.

On basis of the above explanation solve the following exercises .One question has been done in each exercise.

Exercise 1: Identify the correct common noun for the list of given Proper Nouns and write whether they are 'person/place/language/day/month/book'.

1. Kolkata-**place**
2. The Jungle Book-
3. German-
4. Mohan-
5. August-
6. Saturday-
7. Paris-
8. Sanskrit-

Exercise 2: Write the plural forms of these nouns:

1. branch- **branches**
2. splash-
3. potato-
4. memento-
5. city-
6. dwarf-
7. shorts-
8. knife-
9. wolf-
10. pony-
11. scissors-
12. fox-
13. hoof-
14. army-

Exercise 3: Choose the correct words to complete these sentences:

1. Four **oxen** (oxes/oxen) are grazing on that field.
2. These _____ (shelves /shelves) in the kitchen need to be cleaned.
3. We took many _____ (photos/photoes) on our vacation.
4. Swathi wears her _____ (pyjama/pyjamas) before going to bed at night.
5. Manoj bought a box of _____ (cherries/ cherrys) from the market.
6. Ayesha could not take the final exam as she had _____ (measle/measles)
7. The _____ (donkeys/donkies) were crossing the river.
8. My grandmother tells me many interesting _____ (storys/ stories).

Exercise 4: Complete these sentences with the singular or plural forms of the nouns in brackets:

1. We have music **class**(class) for an _____(hour) everyday.
2. Delhi and Mumbai are two big _____. (City)
3. We saw some beautiful _____ (sketch) of the famous artist.
4. Neeraj was a tall thin boy who wore _____ (glass)
5. The men hung their _____ (trouser) on a hook.
6. These _____ (photo) were taken in the _____ (studio)
7. The _____(road) was crowded and the _____ (vehicle) were moving at a slow pace.

Note : To be done in English assignment copy. (44 pages)