# glasss glasses

## the apostrophe in plurals

NEVER

indicates description makes a plural

ALWAYS

means possession

BUT WHERE DOES IT GO?



#### regular plurals

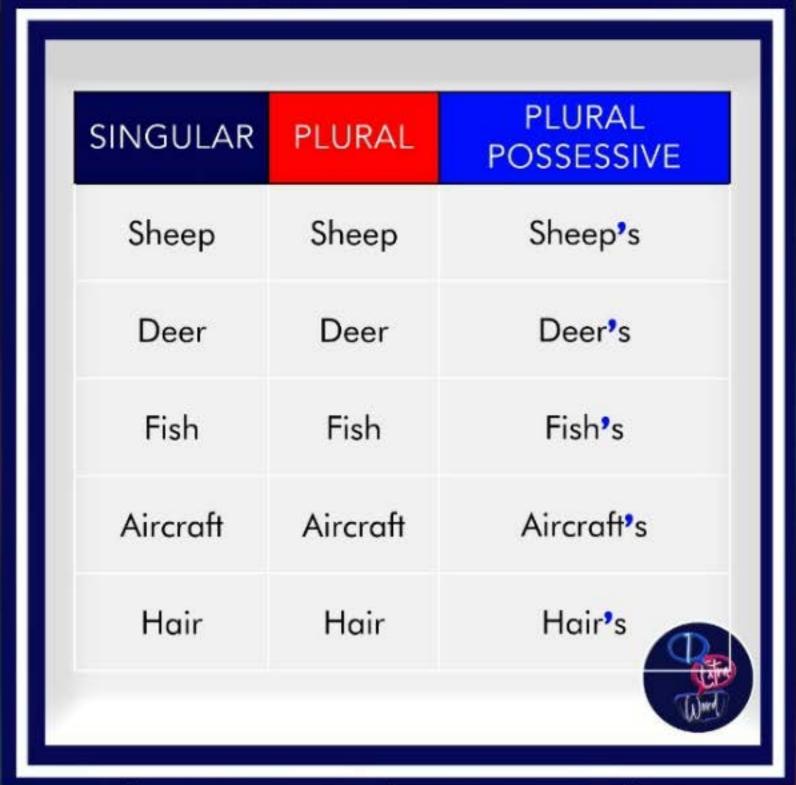
Any noun that adds an s to the singular to make the plural

SINGULAR	PLURAL	PLURAL POSSESSIVE
Воу	Boys	Boys'
Girl	Girls	Girls*
Wife	Wives	Wives*
Puppy	Pupp <mark>ies</mark>	Puppies*
Вох	Boxes	Boxes*
Glass	Glasses	Glasses'
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Apostrophe after the s No need for a second s

#### invariant plurals

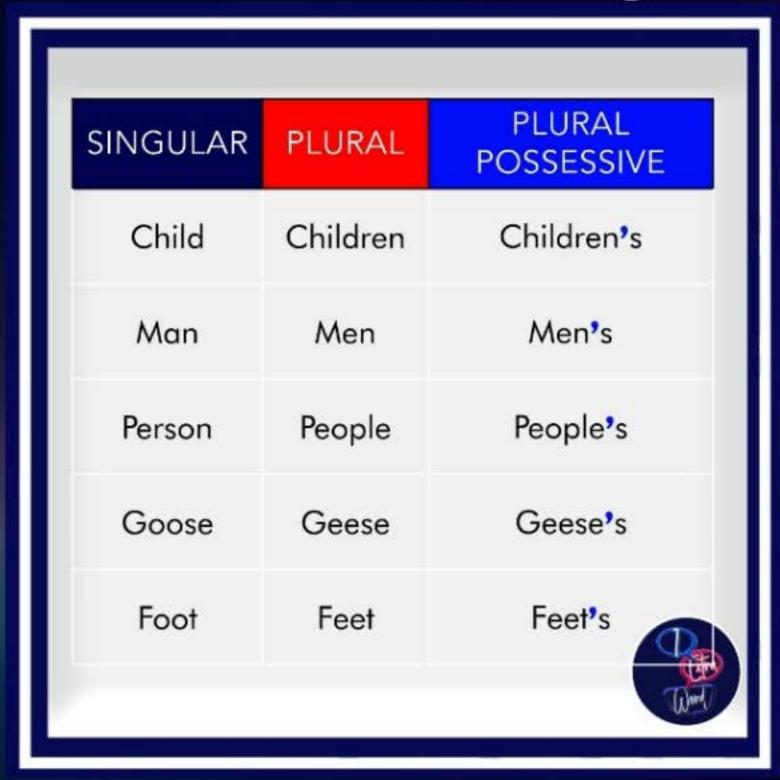
When the same word is used for both the singular and plural form



Apostrophe s at the end of the word

Unless the new word already ends in s

### irregular plurals The plurals that use completely different words to the singular



Apostrophe s at the end of the word



### when the noun already has an s

the singular causes confusion
singular glass
becomes glass's
but the rules remain the same

plural glasses becomes glasses' ...kinda

singular glasses also becomes glasses'



### if in doubt, remember C.R.A.P.

What are you COMMUNICATING?

Simon owns the oranges

Write the sentence in

REVERSE

The oranges are owned by Simon

At the last letter is the APOSTROPHE POSITION

They are Simon's oranges

The apostrophe for possession can seem confusing.
But it's surprisingly simple.

Just remember your CRAP (no apostrophe means no insult).

When you're still not sure where it goes, put it where you like.



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