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Plurals

To make a word in Spanish, follow these rules:

- If the word ends in a vowel, just add -s. Ex. grapadora-grapadoras
- If the word ends in a consonant, add -es. Ex. reloj- relojes
- If the word ends in a -z, change it to a -c and add -es.
Ex. lápiz-lápices

Practice:

Make the following words plural:

calculadora _____

escritorio _____

mes _____

clase _____

puerta _____

feliz _____

IMPORTANT NOTE: In Spanish, all nouns are given a "gender" either masculine or feminine. It is not the same idea of masculine and feminine that we have. It is just part of grammar.

"The"

In Spanish, there are four definite articles. Definite articles are the way to say "the". Depending on whether the noun is masculine or feminine, or singular or plural, determines which "the" to use.

| | Singular | Plural |
|-----------|----------|--------|
| Masculine | el | los |
| Singular | la | las |

Practice:

Fill in the blank with the appropriate definite article.

1. _____ profesores
2. _____ mochila
3. _____ escritorio
4. _____ tijeras

“A”, “an” or “some”

For indefinite articles, it is the same way. You must look at the nouns gender and number.

| | Singular | Plural |
|-----------|----------|--------|
| Masculine | un | unos |
| Feminine | una | unas |

Ex. una puerta: a door
un lápiz: a pencil

unas tijeras: some scissors
unos lápices: some pencils

Write out the following using your vocabulary and these notes in Spanish.

1. a telephone _____
2. a bookbag _____
3. some tables _____
4. some teachers _____
5. a student (female) _____

Adjective-Noun Agreement

In Spanish, adjectives come AFTER the noun in which it describes. Also, the adjective must match the noun in both gender and number.

Ex. the purple bookbag: la mochila morada
a green book: un libro verde (verde is neutral, it will not change in gender)
some blue pencils: unos lápices azules
the angry student: el estudiante enojado (although estudiante could be either masculine or feminine, the el and the “o” at the end of enojado shows that it is a male student)

Practice:

1. the busy teacher (female) _____
2. the boring homework _____
3. a happy student (male) _____
4. the pink notebook _____
5. a black chair _____
6. the white board _____
7. the gray bookbag _____
8. an orange stapler _____
9. a red pencil _____
10. the yellow wall _____