

Singular and Plural in Spanish

Key information

Nouns are words that name people, places, things and ideas. To make a noun plural in Spanish you need to do two things.

First, remember to make the determiners plural too:

el (the)

los (the)

un (a/an)

unos (some)

la (the)

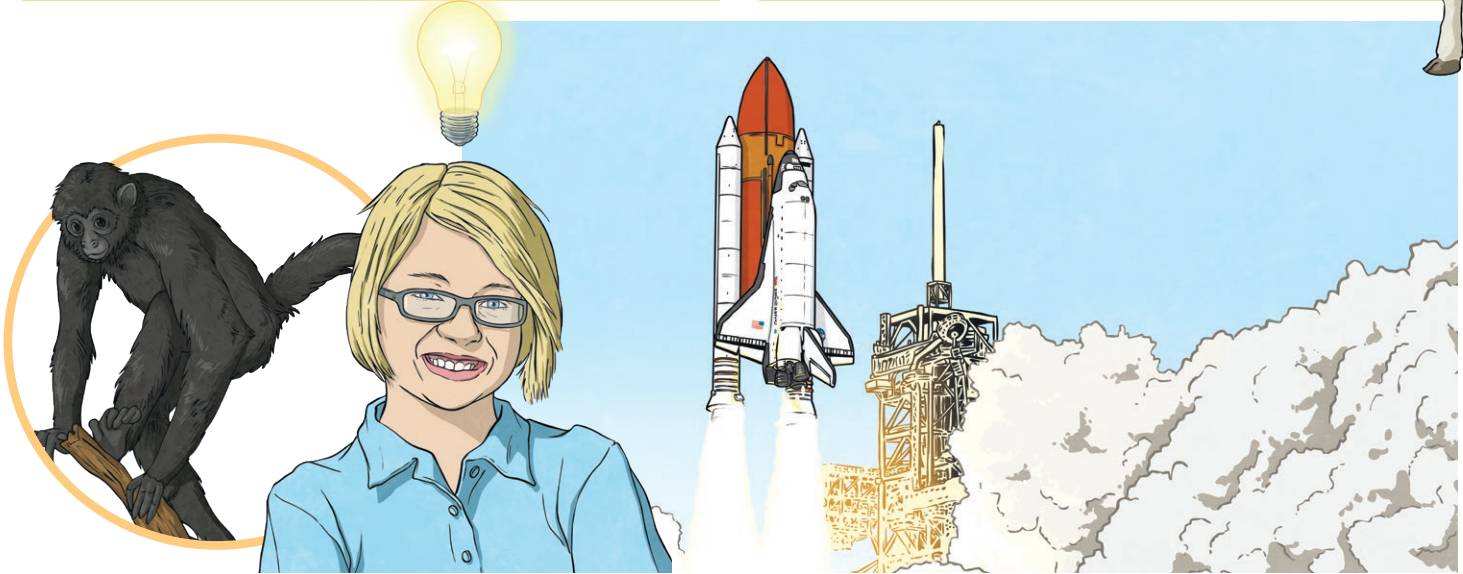
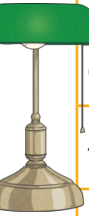
las (the)

una (a/an)

unas (some)

Fill in the gaps for each noun with the correct determiners. The first one has been done for you.

the map	el mapa	<u>los</u> mapas	the maps
a lamp	una lámpara	_____ lámparas	some lamps
the door	_____ puerta	las puertas	the doors
a watch	un reloj	_____ relojes	some watches
the armchair	el sillón	_____ sillones	the armchairs
a cow	_____ vaca	unas vacas	some cows
the flower	la flor	_____ flores	the flowers
the rocket	_____ cohete	los cohetes	the rockets
a monkey	_____ mono	unos monos	some monkeys





Second, change the noun to plural by:

Adding an **-s** if the singular noun ends with a **vowel**. E.g.

 **la** botella → **las** botellas  **una** botella → **unas** botellas

Adding **-es** if the singular noun ends with a **consonant**. E.g.

 **el** ordenador → **los** ordenadores  **un** ordenador → **unos** ordenadores

Adding **-ces** if the singular noun ends with **-z**. Careful! You need to remove **-z** first. E.g.

 **el** lápiz → **los** lápices  **un** lápiz → **unos** lápices

Make these nouns plural by adding the correct ending and changing the determiners. Write your answers in the spaces. The first one has been done for you.

a mountain	una montaña	<u>unas montañas</u>	some mountains
the temple	el templo	_____	the temples
the worm	la lombriz	_____	the worms
a paper	un papel	_____	some papers
the woman	la mujer	_____	the women
a ruler	una regla	_____	some rulers
the road	la carretera	_____	the roads
an animal	un animal	_____	some animals

Some plurals are completely irregular. E.g.

- Some nouns don't change in the plural: el/los lunes (monday/mondays), el paraguas/los paraguas (umbrella/umbrellas)
- ...and more!



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los mapas	the maps
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