

How to Form German Noun Plurals?

Worksheet

German nouns form plurals by adding -e, -en, -er, or -s, determined by gender and word stem. Most masculine nouns take -e or -er, feminines take -en, and neuters take -er or -e.

Questions

1. The plural of 'der Mann' is...
A) die Mannes
B) die Männer
C) die Mans
D) die Mann
2. Which plural ending is most common for feminine nouns?
A) -e
B) -en
C) -er
D) -s
3. The plural of 'das Buch' (book) is...
A) die Büche
B) die Bücher
C) die Buchs
D) die Büch
4. Which word pattern requires -innen in plural?
A) Masculine words ending -er
B) Feminine words ending -in
C) Neuter words ending -nis
D) All masculine nouns
5. Form the plural of 'der Tisch' (table).
6. Form the plural of 'die Frau' (woman).
7. Form the plural of 'das Kind' (child).
8. Define: What are the four main German plural endings?
9. Define: Which gender typically adds -e?
10. Define: How do feminine nouns usually pluralize?

Answer Key

1. B) die Männer — Masculine nouns add -er with umlaut: Mann → Männer.
2. B) -en — Feminine nouns typically add -en: die Frau → die Frauen.
3. B) die Bücher — Neuter nouns often add -er with umlaut: Buch → Bücher.
4. B) Feminine words ending -in — Feminine agent nouns add -nen: die Lehrerin → die Lehrerinnen.
5. der Tisch is masculine Masculine nouns often add -e Plural: die Tische
6. die Frau is feminine Feminine nouns add -en or -in → -innen Plural: die Frauen
7. das Kind is neuter Neuter nouns often add -er Plural: die Kinder
8. -e, -en, -er, -s. Choice depends on gender and word origin.
9. Masculine nouns (der → die): der Tisch → die Tische.
10. Most add -en or -in → -innen: die Frau → die Frauen.

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