

# NOUN-II

# IMPORTANT RULES OF NOUN

## **RULE 1:**

**Some nouns always remain in plural form. They take plural verb. These nouns have no singular form. These are -**

**Assets, alms, amends, annals, archives, ashes ,arrears, athletics, auspices, species, scissors , trousers, pants. clippers, bellows, gallows, fangs, measles, eyeglasses, goggles, belongings, breeches. Bowels , braces ,binoculars, dregs, earnings, entrails, embers ,fettters, fireworks, longings, lees, odds ,outskirts, particulars,**

# EXAMPLES

**My brother has brought a pyjama (X)**

**My brother has brought pyjamas (✓)**

**He should use goggle in the sun (X)**

**He should use goggles in the sun (✓)**

**She gave alms to the blind beggar (X)**

**She gave alms to the blind beggars (✓)**

**Someone has stolen my belonging (X)**

**Someone has stolen my belongings (✓)**

**The Hindus believe in mane (X)**

**The Hindus believe in manes (✓)**

**Rule 2:**  
**Some nouns look plural in form but have singular meaning.**  
**Such nouns take singular verb. These are:**  
**news, innings, politics, summons, physics, economics,**  
**ethics. mechanics, mathematics, measles, mumps, rickets,**  
**billiards, draughts, etc.**

# EXAMPLES

**Mathematics are difficult but politics are easy (X)**

**Mathematics is difficult but politics are easy(✓)**

**The Measles are one of the dangerous diseases.(X)**

**The Measles is one of the dangerous diseases.(✓)**

**The first innings are not yet over (X)**

**The first innings is not yet over (✓)**

**The gallows have been elected . (X)**

**The gallows has been elected . (✓)**

**A summons were issued by the Jury. (X)**

**A summons was issued by the Jury.(✓)**

### ***Exceptional case:***

When **‘Politics’**, **‘Mathematics’**, **‘Physics’**, **‘Statistics’** and **‘economics’** are used in the sense of **‘political qualities’** **‘mathematical abilities’** **‘sums of physics’** and **‘economic facts’** they are considered to be plural and a plural verb is used with them.

### **EXAMPLES**

**Your Physics are poor.**

**My father's politics are dirty.**

**The politics of Bihar are very harmful.**

**Karan's mathematics are weak.**

***Rule 3:***

**Some nouns look singular but have plural meaning. Such nouns take plural verbs. These are:**

**cattle, clergy, cavalry, infantry, poultry , peasantry, children, gentry, police, cannon, tenantry etc.**

## **EXAMPLES**

**The gentry of this place are now poor.**

**The cannon were booming.**

**Some folk are never satisfied.**

**The clergy are laborious and honest.**

**The tenantry of Bihar are poor.**



## **Rule 4:**

**Some nouns are always used in singular**

- ❖ **These are uncountable nouns.**
- ❖ **We can not pluralise such nouns by adding `s' or 'es'.**
- ❖ **We should not use article A/An with such nouns. These are -**

**Scenery, poetry, furniture, advice, information, hair, language. business, mischief, bread, stationery, crockery, luggage, baggage, postage, knowledge, wastage, money, jewellery, breakage etc.**

**For expressing the words in countable form , the phrases piece of, article of, item of, bit of, kind of etc. are used.**

### **Incorrect**

**They saw beautiful sceneries in Rajgir.**

**The robbers looted her jewelleries.**

**She prefers a bread to rice .**

**His luggages work booked and parcelled properly.**

**They have given me a good information.**

### **Correct**

**They saw beautiful scenery in Rajgir.**

**The robbers looted her jewellery.**

**She prefers a piece of bread to rice .**

**His pieces of luggage work booked and parcelled properly.**

**They have given me a good piece of information.**

## **Rule 5:**

**Some nouns have plural meaning but if a definite numeral adjective is used before them they are not pluralised. These are:**

**Otherwise these nouns can be pluralised:**

pair	score	hundred	dozen	thousand	million	billion	couple, etc.
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## **EX:**

Dozens of persons	Hundreds of people	Millions of dollars
Scores of shops	Many pairs of shoes	thousands of threads ,etc.

## **Rule 6:**

**If the same noun is repeated after preposition ,the noun will be singular.**

### **Ex:**

**Town after town was devastated.**

**Row upon row of pink marble looks beautiful.**

**Village after village has been swept away.**

**City after city has been destroyed.**

**Door to door services are provided by some agencies.**

## **Rule 7:**

**If a numeral adjective is used with a noun, the noun will be in singular.**

**Ex:**

**He gave me a hundred rupee note.**

**I was provided the assistance of two 6 year experienced persons.**

**The 5 month guarantee mark was printed on the box.**

**A ten member committee has decided it.**

## **Read the following structures carefully**

**He gave me one and a half rupees. (*Incorrect*)**

**He gave me one rupee and a half. (*correct*)**

**She gave me two and a quarter rupees. (*Incorrect*)**

**She gave me two rupees and a quarter. (*correct*)**

## **Rule 8:**

**Some phrases like One of / Some of/ Each of / Either of /Neither of / Any of / None of , etc. are always followed by a plural form of a noun.**

### **Examples**

**One of the candidates is trying hard to win.**

**Either of the boys has the chance of taking risk.**

**None of the candidates has got selection.**

**Some of the most skewed games are worth watching .**

## **Rule 9:**

**Collective nouns can be used in either a singular or plural form and the verbs are used accordingly.**

**The team is strong (here, we are treating the TEAM as an UNIT) ✓**

**The team are fighting among themselves (Here, we are saying about the players of the team) ✓**



# Conversion – Read the below given chart carefully

VERBS	NOUN
amuse	amusement
annoy	annoyance
approach	approach
attend	attention
attract	attraction
avoid	avoidance
believe	belief
blacken	blackness
bleed	blood

<b>VERBS</b>	<b>NOUN</b>
bother	botheration
breathe	breath
bury	burial
care	care
challenge	challenge
chase	chase
cheer	cheerfulness
choose	choice
clear	clarity
collect	collection
comfort	comfort
complex	complexity
confuse	confusion

<b>ADJECTIVE</b>	<b>NOUN</b>
courageous	courage
dangerous	danger
enthusiastic	enthusiasm
numerable	number
envious	envy
evaporating	evaporation
expected	expectation
explainable	explanation
exploring	exploration
fascinating	fascination
<b>optical</b>	<b>eye</b>
<b>firm</b>	<b>firmness</b>

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