

### **16. Plural of nouns. 3**

The following nouns all end in *f(e)*.  
Here the consonant changes into *v*.  
And then they add *-es*.  
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In the plural and nowhere else.

Knife, knives. Life, lives.  
Leaf, leaves. Wife, wives.  
Shelf, shelves. Thief, thieves.  
Calf, calves. Wolf, wolves.

Some nouns are strange.  
They don't add an *s*.  
They have a vowel change instead.

Foot, feet.  
Tooth, teeth.  
Goose, geese.  
Mouse, mice.  
Louse, lice.  
Man, men.  
Woman, women.

And you must not forget  
it's one child, but two children.  
Plus all the other exceptions.