

Q1. These (a)/ stray cattles (b)/ are roaming around (c)/ the town.(d)

Q2. You should not let your **childrens** go out at night.

(a) childs

(b) children

(c) No improvement

(d) children's

Q3. I want to know (a)/ where the headquarter of (b)/
Delhi police is situated.(c)/ no error (d)

Q4. The offsprings of this (a)/ species leave their parents
(b)/ as soon as they mature.(c)/ no error (d)

Q5. His mean (a)/ are very limited (b)/ yet he does not
curtail (c)/ his expenditure and spends lavishly.(d)

Q6. Mother-in-laws from different (a)/ daily soaps have been (b)/ nominated for this category.(c)/ no error (d)

Q7. There have been (a)/ three breaks-in (b)/ in our society (c)/ this month.(d)

Q8. We bought (a)/ two dozens (b)/ mangoes from (c)/ the market.(d)

Q9. She speaks (a)/ very highly (b)/ of both her (c)/
daughter-in-laws.(d)

1. Ans (b) use ‘cattle’ instead of ‘cattles’
2. Ans (b)
3. Ans (b) Use ‘headquarters’ in place of ‘headquarter’.
4. Ans (a) Use ‘offspring’ in place of ‘offsprings’.
5. Ans (a) Use ‘means’ in place of ‘mean’
6. Ans (a) Use ‘mothers-in-law’ in place of ‘mother-in-laws’
7. Ans (b) use ‘break-ins’ instead of ‘breaks-in’
8. Ans (b) use ‘two dozen’ instead of ‘two dozens’
9. Ans (d) use ‘daughters-in-law’ instead of ‘daughter-in-laws’

Some nouns that look singular but are plural:-

Cattle, Vermin, Police, Gentry, Peasantry, Children,
People, Poultry, Cavalry, Clergy, Infantry etc.

Vermin has destroyed atleast 10% production this year.

Childrens should be given emotional support by their parents.

These cattles belong to Mr. Yadav who is a well known person of our village.

Police is responsible for maintaining peace and order in the society.

➤ **Some nouns that have same singular and plural forms:-**

Deer, Sheep, Fish, Species, Series, Aircraft, Vacation,
Offspring, Issue, Whereabouts, Headquarters,
Wages, Means, etc.

Lalu Prasad Yadav has 9 offsprings still he faces no problem in providing facilities to them.

There are only two fishes left in the pond as all other died owing to an unknown disease.

The whereabouts of Osama were found by America.

His salary is not enough to support the education of his 9 issues.

Wages - meaning - income/salary - verb plural

Wages - meaning - result/outcome - verb acc. to context

Means - meaning - income/resources - verb plural

Means - meaning - channel/medium - verb acc. to context

His wages is low still he spends lavishly.

The wages of sin is death.

His mean is not enough to support such a large family.

The means of communication such as tv, radio etc
has become necessity of life.

Wage v/s Wages:-

Wage = Amount per hour/day/week.

Wages = Wage \times no of hour/day/week.

Mean v/s Means:-

Mean(adj) = Selfish/Cruel, Radhika is a mean girl.

Mean(v) = Meaning, They mean to say that you are a fool.

Mean(n) = Average, The mean of 2 and 12 is 7.

➤ Compound nouns:-

Singular

Brother in law -

Commander in chief -

Step daughter -

General manager -

Book shelf -

Code of conduct -

Officer in charge -

Maid servant -

Plural

Brothers in law

Commanders in chief

Step daughters

General managers

Book selves

Codes of conduct

Officers in charge

Maid servants

Singular

Plural

Looker on	-	Lookers on
Passer by	-	Passers by
Bagful/Mouthful	-	Bagfuls / Mouthfuls
Man doctor	-	Men doctors
Woman teacher	-	Women teachers
Attorney general	-	Attorneys general
	-	Attorney generals

Some pens stand were lying there but none of them had any pen.

All the women teachers of the school were present in the meeting.

He invited all his brother in laws to the party.

Police interrogated all the looker ons about the accident.

Rajat ate bagsful of popcorn alone while he was watching a movie.

Singular

Phenomenon

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Criterion

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Medium

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Stadium

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Bacterium

-

Cactus

-

Syllabus

-

Radius

-

Plural

Phenomena

Criteria

Media/Mediums

Stadia/Stadiums

Bacteria

Cacti

Syllabi

Radii

Singular

Plural

Fungus	-	Fungi
Stratum	-	Strata
Focus	-	Foci/Focuses
Alumnus	-	Alumni
Alumna	-	Alumnae
Axis	-	Axes
Basis	-	Bases
Thesis	-	Theses
Crisis	-	Crises
Oasis	-	Oases

There was cactus everywhere in that area.

An ellipse has two focus while a circle has only one center.

Draw 2 circles with radiuses 2cms and 5cms respectively.

My brother is an alumni of IIT Delhi.

Collective nouns:-

Group of people-	Crowd/Mob
Group of stars -	Cluster/Constellation
Group of trees -	Groove/Clump
Group of flowers –	Garland/Bouquet
Group of Bees/flies-	Swarm
Group of puppies-	Litter
Group of directors-	Board
Group of singers-	Choir
Group of keys/grapes-	Bunch
Group of cats-	Clowder
Group of cards/wolves/hounds-	Pack

Collective nouns:-

Group of carriages/followers-

Train

Group of bullets/shots -

Volley

Group of students -

Class

Group of servants —

Retinue

Group of laws-

Code

Group of sailors-

Crew

Group of sheep-

Herd

Group of merchants/travellers-

Caravan

Group of mountains/hills-

Range

Group of girls/women/officers-

Bevy

Group of steps/stairs/birds-

Flight

Collective nouns:-

Group of geese/sheep/birds-	Flock
Group of robbers/criminals -	Gang
Group of stones/ruins -	Heap
Group of shoes/scissors —	Pair
Group of corn/arrows-	Sheaf
Religious group-	Congregation
Group of horses/scouts/soldiers-	Troop
Group of events-	Series
Group of discussing people-	Forum
Group of fish/whales-	School

A group of angry people vandalized the whole town.

On the Republic day a group of flying aircraft shows stunts.

A group of cats was fighting at the end of street.

He is the head of the members of the working staff of the ship.