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Table 1:
List of 1 syllable animals pluralized ending

frog z	cow z	fly z
rat s	bird z	wasp s
dog z	goat s	bee z
cat s	hen z	ape s
bat s	lion z	ant s
pig z	bug z	crow z
whale z		hawk s
snake s	ram z	sloth s
bear z	seal z	snail z

The key is if your vocal cords (aka vocal folds) vibrate on the last sound of the word. If it vibrates, it will sound like a 'z,' if it doesn't, it will sound like an 's'.

The only exception to this rule is if the last sound is

- sh (like wish)
- ss (like hiss)
- zz (like fuzz)
- ge/je (like fudge)

which would end in 'iz'.

Table 2:
List of 1 syllable past-tense ending

walk t	greet id
beg d	pat id
tee d	pad id
grin d	sniff t
grill d	starve d
snow d	wheel d
fuss t	tow d
	buzz d