**PRONOUNCING THE FINAL -ending of NOUNS: -s, -es or –ies in the**

**SIMPLE PRESENT TENSE**

**\*** The final **sound** of NOUNS in the Simple Present tense in English is pronounced in three different ways: / z / , / s / , / iz / according to the ***rules on pronunciation***:

1. VOICED SOUNDS: / b , d , g , v , m , n , l , n , r , y and all vowels. / The final -s sounds: / z /

Examples: pens, bags, rulers, umbrellas, keys, windows, earrings, phones, etc.

2. VOICELESS SOUNDS: / p , t , k , f , 0 / The final **-s** sounds: / s /

Examples: wallets, clocks, books, baskets, maps, stamps, jackets, lamps, etc.

3. SIBILANT SOUNDS: / s , ss, z , x , sh , ch , dg , g / The final -s or -es

sounds: / iz /.

Examples: briefcases, hairbrushes, watches, purses, glasses, addresses, etc .

-Listen and repeat:

1- / S / 2- / Z / 3- / IZ /

-cats -dogs -sunglasses

-snakes -papers -surprises

**Nouns:** -cakes -parties -boxes

-jokes -gloves -dishes

-sports -sweaters -languages

-likes -wears -watches

**Verbs:** -hates -loves -wishes

-speaks -hugs -exchanges