

lady, ladies;
city, cities;
army, armies;
story, stories;
pony, ponies.

(vi) The following nouns ending in -f or -fe form their plural by changing -f or -fe into v and adding -es ; as,

thief, thieves;
wife, wives;
wolf, wolves;
life, lives;
calf, calves;
leaf, leaves;
loaf, loaves;
knife, knives;
shelf, shelves,
half, halves;
elf, elves;
self, selves;
sheaf, sheaves.

The nouns dwarf, hoof, scarf and wharf take either -s or -ves in the plural.

dwarfs or dwarves;
hoofs or hooves;
scarfs or scarves;
wharfs or wharves

Other words ending in -f or -fe add -s; as,

chief, chiefs;
safe, safes;
proof, proofs
gulf, gulfs;
cliff, cliffs;
handkerchief, handkerchiefs

32. A few nouns form their plural by changing the inside vowel of the singular; as,
man, men;

woman, women;
foot, feet;
tooth, teeth;
goose, geese;
mouse, mice;
louse, lice.