

Singular and Plural (2)

- When a word ends in **f** or **fe** in its singular form, change the **f** or **fe** to **v** and add **es** to make the plural form.

Examples: shelf – shelves life – lives

A. Write the **singular** or **plural** form of each word.

calf calves

wife _____

leaf _____

thief _____

knife _____

wolf

halves

wolves

loaves

hooves

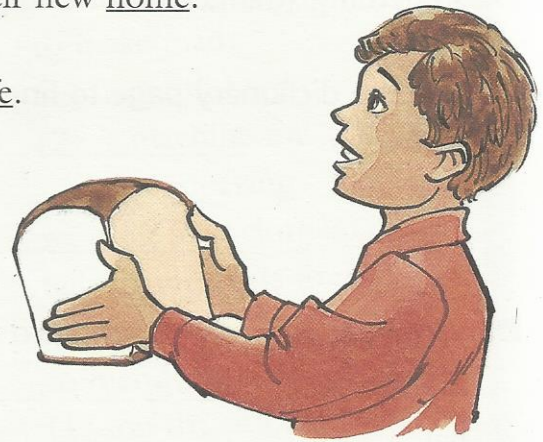
elves



B. Change the underlined words to their plural forms.

Write the new sentences. Make any other changes that are necessary.

- The husband and wife were very happy in their new home.
- The shelf in the library was full of books.
- The thief attacked the shopkeeper with a knife.
- The hoof of the calf was sore.
- We saw the elf behind the leaf.
- The lady put the loaf on the plate.
- The wolf ran after the baby in the wood.
- The leaf fell off the branch of the tree.
- The boy bought a loaf in the shop.
- The wife had a very happy life.



- Not all words follow the above rule.

Examples: chief – chiefs roof – roofs cliff – cliffs

C. Write a sentence for each of the plural nouns that are in the box above.

D. Write the correct word under each picture.

