

3rd PERSON SINGULAR RULES

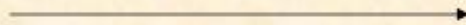
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SPELLING RULES

a) General Rule:

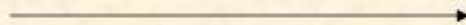
We add '-s' to the verb

stop



stops

work



works

read



reads

stand



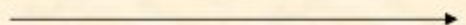
stands

come



comes

speak



speaks

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b) When the verb ends in '-y':

We add '-ies' to the verb if it is pronounced

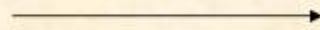
/aɪ/

fly



flies

cry



cries

/ɪ/

study



studies

tidy



tidies

but

/eɪ/

stay



stays

play



plays

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Change the *-y* to *-i* and add *-es* when the base form ends in a consonant +*y*.

fly → flies

cry → cries

study → studies

tidy → tidies

Do not change the *-y* when the base form ends in a vowel +*y*. Add *-s*

stay → stays

play → plays

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c) When the verb ends in:

We add **'-es'** to the verb.

/s/	cross	→	crosses
	lose	→	loses
/z/	buzz	→	buzzes
/ʃ/	flash	→	flashes
	wish	→	wishes
/tʃ/	teach	→	teaches
	catch	→	catches
/dʒ/	judge	→	judges

