


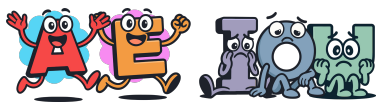






CONCEPT: PLURAL ENDINGS

Formation of Plural Endings

◆ Many of the singular and plural forms of these terms are _____ or _____-based.

Plural Endings		
Singular Form	Plural Form	Memory Tool
Ending with y → Replace with ies		
arter y biops y	arter ies _____	
Ending with is → Replace with es		
diagnos is	diagnos es	
Ending with us → Replace with i		
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Ending with a → Replace with ae		
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Ending with nx → Replace with ges		 nx ges ture.
phalan x	phalan ges	
Ending with ax , ex , or ix → Replace with ces		 X out bad cho ices .
thor ax append ix	_____ ces	

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EXAMPLE

Which of the following is the plural form of the term metastasis?

- a) metastasises
- b) metastatic
- c) metastases
- d) metastasces
- e) metastasies

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Provide the plural form of the word flagellum.

- a) flagellons
- b) flagellis
- c) flagellae
- d) flgaellina
- e) flagella

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Provide the plural form of the word cortex.

- a) corteces
- b) corteice
- c) cortias
- d) cortexes
- e) cortices

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Fill in the correct form for each of the blank spaces given.

Singular Form
Serum
Larynx
Bronchus

Plural Form
Thrombi
Bacteria
Crises

PRACTICE

Provide the plural form and the meaning for the following term: paracentesis.

Term