

Other top tips for spelling.

'Qu'

'Q' is always followed by the letter 'u' e.g. *queen*

'X'

'X' is never followed by the letter 's' e.g. *next* and sometimes 'x' is followed by a soft 'c' e.g. *excite*

'Ve'

Words never end with the letter 'v' – use 've' e.g. *love*

Plurals

To make most words plural, just add 's'. However, add 'es' to words ending with 'ch' e.g. *churches*, 's' e.g. *buses*, 'sh' e.g. *bushes*, 'x' e.g. *boxes*, or 'z' e.g. *buzzes*. Sometimes the letter 'f' needs to change to 'v' before adding 'es' e.g. *hoof* – *hooves*. Some plurals don't follow any rules e.g. *child/children*, *foot/feet*, *mouse/mice*, *man/men*, *woman/women*, *tooth/teeth*