There is / There are and plural nouns

There is / There are ושמות עצם ברבים
There is / There are وأسماء الجمع

Summary: There is / There are and how to make nouns plural
סיכום: There is / There are ואיך עושים רבים משמות עצם
ملخّص: There is / There are وكيف نجمع الأسماء

One or many?

אחד או הרבה?
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	One	Many
✔	There is *a* bench.	There *are* benches.
✘	There isn't *a* bench.	There *aren't any* benches.
?	Is there *a* bench?	Are there *any* benches?

Making plurals

איך עושים רבים
كيف نكوّن الجمع

1. Most words: + s (*a* pen – pens)

רוב המילים: + s (a pen – pens)
معظم الكلمات: + s (a pen – pens)

2. After s, sh, ch, x: + es (*a* box – boxes)

אחרי s, sh, ch, x: + es (a box – boxes)
بعد s و sh و ch و x: + es (a box – boxes)

3. Special words: child – children, man – men, woman – women, foot – feet, tooth – teeth, mouse – mice

מילים מיוחדות: child – children, man – men, woman – women, foot – feet, tooth – teeth, mouse – mice
كلمات خاصّة: child – children, man – men, woman – women, foot – feet, tooth – teeth, mouse – mice

How many?

כמה?
كم؟

1. How many + plural noun + are there?

How many + שם עצם ברבים + are there?
How many + اسم بصيغة الجمع + are there?

Example:

דוגמה:
مثال:

How many chairs are there? – There are six.

Picture words · מילים בתמונות · كلمات بالصّور

Remember! There is + *a*/*an* + one thing. There *are* + many things (books, boxes, children).

There is + a/an + דבר אחד. There are + הרבה דברים (books, boxes, children).

There is + a/an + شيء واحد. There are + أشياء كثيرة (books, boxes, children).

✏️ **Worked example:** There ___ two ___ in the park. (man)

1. Two means more than one, so we use *are*.
2. *man* is a special word: the plural is *men*.

Answer: are, men

✓ **Check yourself – Complete. Use the table and the points:**

השלימו. היעזרו בטבלה ובנקודות:
أكمل. استعن بالجدول وبالنقاط:

a. There _____ a bus at the bus stop.
b. one watch – two _____
c. There aren't _____ cookies in the jar.
d. _____ there a library in your town?

Self-check answers: a. is · b. watches · c. any · d. Is