

Descriptions: This / That / These / Those

FORM:

This + (singular noun or non count noun) + (not) + verb

That + (singular noun or non count noun) + (not) + verb

These + (plural noun) + (not) + verb

Those + (plural noun) + (not) + verb

USE:

“**This**” refers to a person or thing near you. It talks about a singular noun or non count noun.

Near you: **This** is a blue chair. → **This** chair is blue.

“**That**” refers to a person or thing far from you. It talks about a singular or non count noun.

Far from you: **That** is a red chair. → **That** chair is red.

The plural form of “this” is “these”. **These** refers to people or things near you. It talks about plural nouns.

Near you: **These** are blue chairs. → **These** chairs are blue.

The plural form of “that” is “those”. **Those** refers to people or things far from you. It talks about plural nouns.

Far from you: **Those** are red chairs. → **Those** chairs are red.

To Summarize:

Singular: **THIS** → plural: **THESE**

Singular: **THAT** → plural: **THOSE**

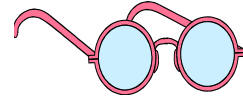
EXAMPLES: *This student is from Colombia.*
These students are from Colombia.
That is an elephant.
Those are elephants.

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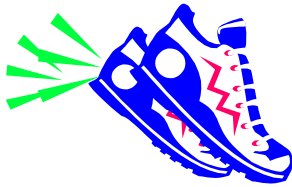
Are the things in the pictures “singular”, “plural”, or “non count”? Imagine the pictures on the left are near you and the pictures on the right are far away. Fill in the blanks with this / that / these / those and the correct form of the verb “be”.



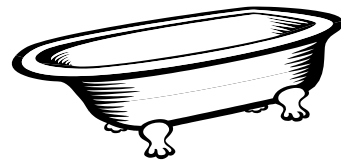
1. _____ a shirt.



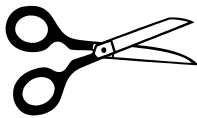
2. _____ glasses.



3. _____ running shoes.



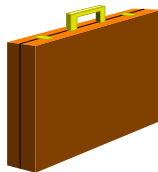
4. _____ a bathtub.



5. _____ scissors.



6. _____ an umbrella.



7. _____ a briefcase.



8. _____ luggage.



9. _____ jewelry.



10. _____ headphones.

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Write the PLURAL form of the following words.

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|----------|-------|----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| 1. book | _____ | 5. leaf | _____ | 9. nail | _____ |
| 2. watch | _____ | 6. coat | _____ | 10. piano | _____ |
| 3. door | _____ | 7. child | _____ | 11. eye | _____ |
| 4. man | _____ | 8. fox | _____ | 12. tooth | _____ |

Change the following sentences to the PLURAL form.

1. This lesson is very useful.

2. That exercise is very difficult.

Change the following sentences to the PLURAL form.

1. This movie is scary. _____
2. That painting is signed by Picasso. _____
3. That book doesn't have a blue cover. _____
4. This word isn't new. _____
5. That watch is very expensive. _____
6. This train is always late. _____

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7. That bed is near the window.

8. The lamp is white and red.

9. This mouse is very small.

10. That is a dark green umbrella.

11. That airplane is full.

12. This building is only three years old.

13. That dictionary is on the desk.

14. That report is due this afternoon.

15. This is the test.

Change the following sentences to the PLURAL form.

1. The man is a thief. _____
2. The child is in front of the building. _____
3. The bus is late. _____
4. The woman is very busy. _____
5. The teacher is in the classroom. _____
6. Is there a dish on the table? _____
7. The church is on Main Street. _____
8. I am a bad dancer. _____
9. Is he the manager? _____
10. The scarf is green. _____
11. There is a window in the room. _____
12. The mouse is under the bathtub. _____
13. There is a person in the office. _____
14. The dress is pretty. _____
15. The post office is closed. _____
16. A dog is a domestic animal. _____
17. There is a match on the desk. _____
18. A cat can run faster than a mouse. _____
19. A newspaper is under the box. _____
20. A woman is on the corner of the street. _____
21. This watch is new. _____
22. The knife is on the table. _____