

# English with Nimafar

Spelling Rules Part II



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#### Present Simple Third Person Singular 'S"



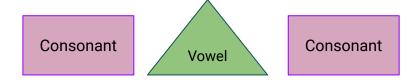
- If the verb ends with the letters 'CH' 'SH' 'X' 'O' 'SS 'Z', add '-es' instead of '-s'
  - O Wash => Washes
  - O Mix => Mixes
  - O Teach => Teaches
  - O Do => Does
  - O Bless => Blesses
- If the verb ends in Consonant Y, we change "Y" to "I" and then we add "-es"
  - O Study => Studies
  - O Cry => Cries
  - Verify => Verifies
  - Clarify => Clarifies

# Question?



Why do we say "She studies" but we don't say "She plaies"? They both end in "Y".

Do you remember the pattern about which we talked in part I?



When a verb ends in Vowel-Y, we do NOT change 'Y' to 'I'. We just add an 'S'.

Now you know why 'She plaies' is wrong and 'She plays' is correct.

Want more examples? Let's check the next slide, shall we?

#### Present Simple Third Person Singular 'S'



- When a verb ends in Vowel-Y, we do NOT change 'Y' to 'I'. We just add an 'S'.
  - O Play => Plays
  - O Display => Displays
  - O Stay => Stays
  - O Say => Says

# Regular Past Simples & Regular Past Participles



- If the verb ends with the vowel '-e' add '-d' after it.
  - O Dance => Danced
  - Cike => Liked
  - 0 Live => Lived
- If a monosyllabic verb ends in consonant + vowel + consonant, double the final consonant before 'ed.'
  - O Stop => Stopped
  - O Play => Played
  - O Stay => Stayed
- If the verb has <u>more than one syllable</u>, <u>double</u> the final consonant before 'ed' only if the final syllable is stressed.
  - Permit => Permitted
  - Prefer => Preferred

## Regular Past Simples & Regular Past Participles



- If the final syllable of the verb is <u>not</u> stressed, do <u>not</u> double the final consonant before 'ed.'
  - O Develop => Developed
  - Cisten => Listened
- If the verb ends in a vowel + 'y' add 'ed'.
  - O Stay => Stayed
  - O Employ => Employed
  - O Enjoy => Enjoyed
  - O Pray => Played
- If the verb ends in a consonant + 'y', 'y' is <u>replaced</u> by '-i' before 'ed' is added.
  - O Hurry => Hurried
  - O Bury => Buried
  - O Clarify => Clarified
  - Satisfy => Satisfied

#### Present Participles



- If the verb ends in '-ie', replace the 'ie' with 'y'.
  - O Die => Dying
  - O Lie => Lying
  - O Tie => Tying
- If the verb ends in vowel + consonant + '-e', omit the '-e.'
  - O Come => Coming
  - O Drive => Driving
  - O Ride => Riding
  - O Bake => Baking
- If the verb ends in consonant + unstressed vowel + consonant, do not double the final letter.
  - Open => Opening
  - O Cancel => Canceling
  - O Happen => Happening
  - Offer => Offering

## Present Participles



- If a verb has two vowel letters before the final consonant letter, do not double the consonant letter.
  - O Eat => Eating
  - O Bleed => Bleeding
  - O Ruin => Ruining
  - O Rain => Raining
- For a two-syllable or three-syllable verb, if the last syllable is stressed, double the final consonant letter.
  - Submit => Submitting
  - O Admit => Admitting
  - O Commit => Committing
  - O Transfer => Transferring



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