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Say it! Write it! Repeat it!

I see we see

you see you see

he sees they see

she sees

it sees

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The third person singular is formed like the plural of a noun. Some verbs use the same spellings as nouns.

see

sees

run

runs

will

wills

time

times

charge

charges

look

looks

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like

likes

make

makes

say

says

come

comes

live

lives

kill

kills

let

lets

go

goes

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Auxiliary Verbs or Helping Verbs

do

does

am

is

can

can

have

has

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When adding an ending to a word that ends with a consonant and y, use i instead of y except "ing".

carry

carries

try

tries

fancy

fancies

fly

flies

study

studies

copy

copies

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reply replies replying

busy busies busying

hurry hurries hurrying

supply supplies supplying

vary varies varying

occupy occupies occupying

apply applies applying

identify identifies identifying

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steady steadies steadying

empty empties emptying

specify specifies specifying

dry dries drying

Special spellings:

(die) dies dying

(lie) lies lying

(tie) ties tying