**Spelling Plurals of Words Ending in –Y**

You know that the main way we pluralize nouns is to add an *–s* to the noun. But sometimes we have to change the spelling of the original noun when adding the *–s*. Let’s figure out some of the patterns of these spelling changes.

1. Give the plural forms of these words.

baby

party

spy

family

city

Write a rule to describe the spelling pattern. “When the word ends in \_\_, then you \_\_\_.

2. Now consider these words and give their plural forms.

 day

 turkey

 boy

 freeway

 monkey

Write a rule to describe the spelling pattern of these kinds of words. Be sure that your rule is as simple as it can be while still describing all of the data.