



Ms. Particular Presents: Damage vs. Damages

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“Damage” is loss or harm to an object, person, or entity caused by injury, whether accidental or intentional

“Damages” is the amount of money ordered by a court to compensate the injured party for such a loss

“Damages” is [almost] always wrong in scientific writing; even if you mean multiple instances of cracks, pits, breaks, or imperfections caused by some agent—it’s still “damage” (singular)