Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

Apostrophes for Possession

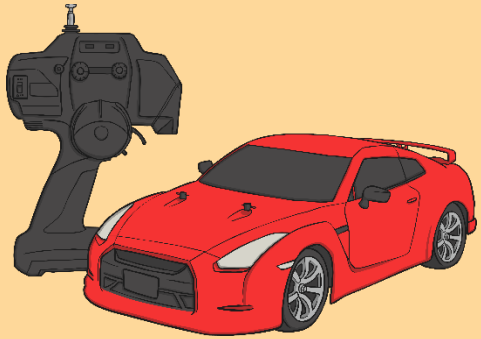
Who Does It Belong To?

Possession

When we own or have something it is called possession.



The blue bike belongs to Isa.



The red car belongs to Jodie.



The football belongs to Samera.

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Who Does It Belong To?

Work out which item belongs to each child and say a sentence to explain. The first one has been done for you.



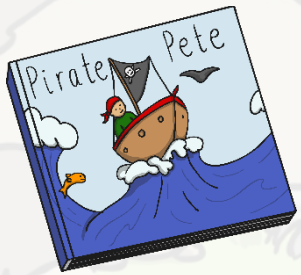


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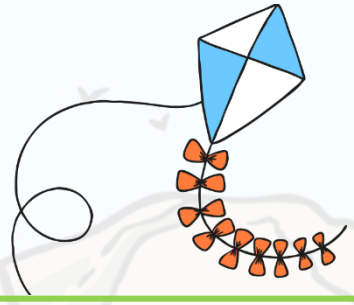
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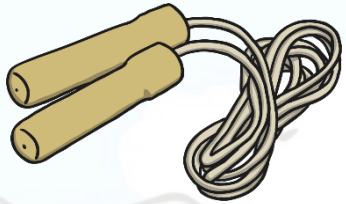
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My skateboard is very fast.

This kite is amazing.

I love my skipping rope.

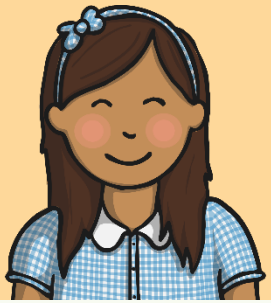
This is my favourite book.



Sophie



Jared



Anna



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Apostrophes to Show Possession

Whole Class

Sometimes using the words **belongs to** doesn't sound right.

For example if we were introducing someone we wouldn't say:

These are the parents that belong to Maddison.

What do you think we would say?

We would probably say:

These are Maddison's parents.



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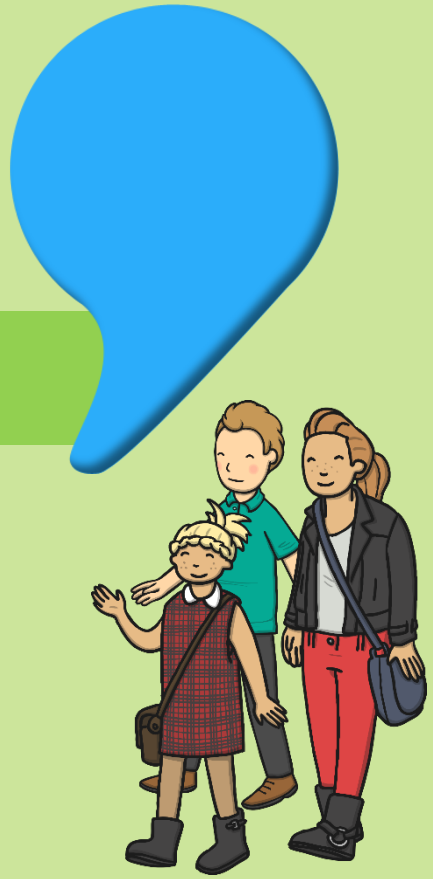
These are Maddison's parents.

What do you notice about this sentence?
Look at the name Maddison.

This sentence contains an apostrophe.

The apostrophe in this sentence tells us that the parents belong to Maddison.

We need the apostrophe to make it clear to our reader who it belongs to.



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Whole Class

When we say something belongs to someone, we add an '**s**' to the end of the word. However we also do this when the word becomes plural.

So we add an apostrophe before the '**s**' to show our reader we mean '**belongs to**'.

one cat



The cat's bed



two cats

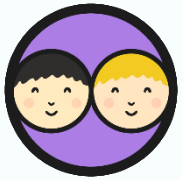


The dog's bed



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Apostrophes to Show Possession



Rewrite the sentences below so that they contain an apostrophe. The first one has been done for you.

Remember when we are showing that something belongs to one person, we add the apostrophe before the '**s**'.

Everybody liked the green and yellow bag that belongs to Umar.

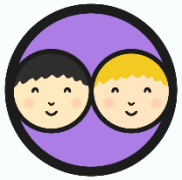
Everybody liked Umar's green and yellow bag.

The cute kitten belongs to Romy.

The toy castle belongs to Zuhara.

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Spot the Possessive Apostrophe



When we want to show that something belongs to someone, we use an apostrophe.

But we also use an apostrophe to show that there are letters missing in words.

Look at the two sentences below:

Jabriel's mum baked the delicious chocolate cake.

There wasn't much of it left when dad got home.



Which of these sentences includes a possessive apostrophe?

Hint – remember the apostrophe tells us who something or someone belongs to.

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