


Possessive Nouns

Project LA Activity



□ **Possessive nouns** are used to show possession (owning, or having).



The **dog's** collar is too large.

The word "dog's" is the possessive noun. It tells you that the noun "collar" belongs to the dog. The dog owns, or possesses the collar.

Add 's to the end of a singular noun to make it possessive.





The **sky's** color is changing.

☐ sky + 's

☐ Add 's to the end of a plural noun that does not end with an s.





We saw the
children's snowman.

□ children + 's

□ Add only the **apostrophe**
(**'**) to the end of a plural
noun that ends with an **s**.

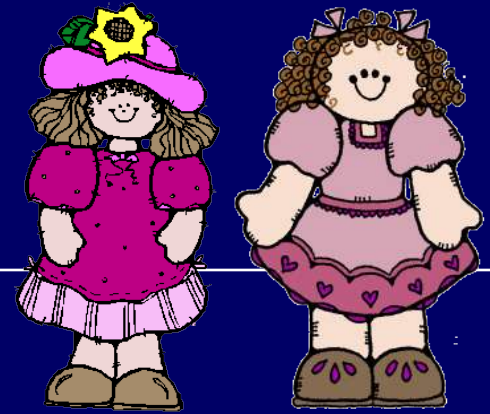




My **sisters'** names
are Kate and Nikki.

☐ **sisters + '**

☐ **Optional: If the noun is
singular and ends with an
s, add 's or add only the
apostrophe (').**



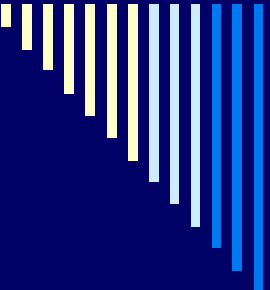


The **bus's** engine
stopped.

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stopped.



- Note: Most sources recommend the shorter version if the ending "iz" sound is not wanted.
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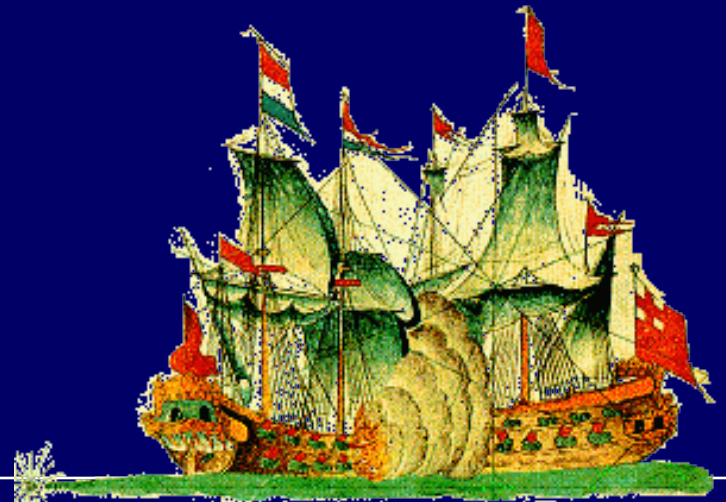
***Can you find the noun in
each sentence that
should be possessive?
Write it correctly on your
paper.***





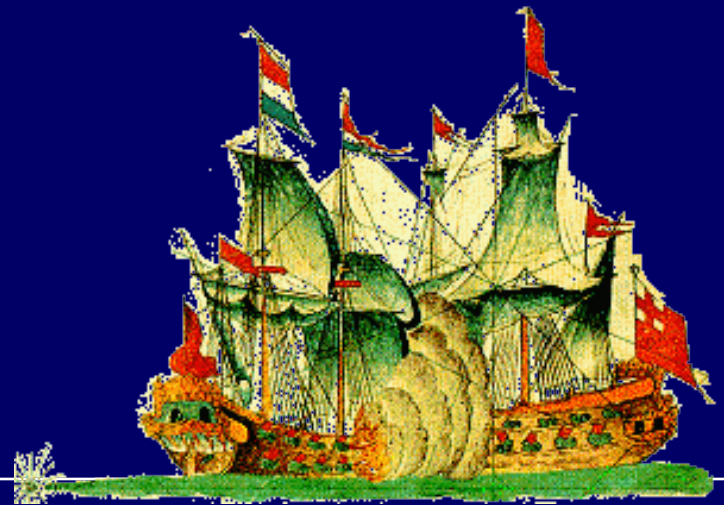
1. The Pilgrims ship
was uncomfortable.


ANSWER





1. The **Pilgrims'** ship
was uncomfortable.





2. A sincere person
compliment is a
valuable gift.

ANSWER





2. A sincere **person's** compliment is a valuable gift.





3. Mrs. Graves class
has a great website.

ANSWER





3. Mrs. **Graves'** class
has a great website.





4. The class teacher
was very young.

ANSWER





4. The **class**' teacher
was very young.



or **class's**



5. The pony rider
was too heavy.

ANSWER





5. The pony's rider
was too heavy.



6. Your brother
attitude got him in
trouble.

ANSWER





6. Your **brother's** attitude got him in trouble.





7. Amy report card
was wonderful.

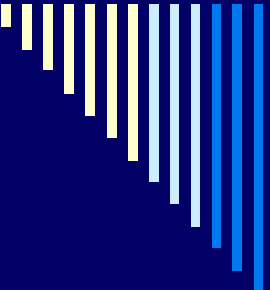
ANSWER





7. Amy's report card
was wonderful.

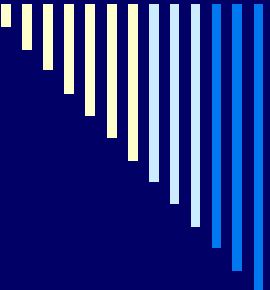




8. The little babies
nursery had five
beds.

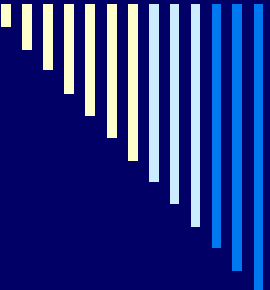
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8. The little **babies'**
nursery had five
beds.

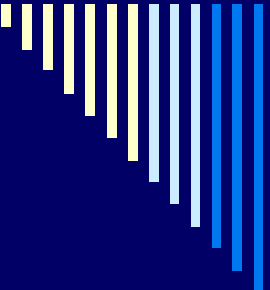




9. I didn't know I was
eating your cat
tuna.

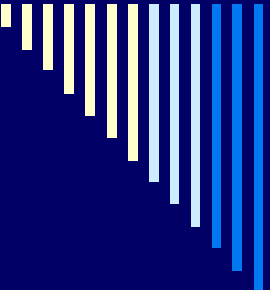
ANSWER





9. I didn't know I was
eating your **cat's**
tuna.





10. The girls outfits were exactly the same.

ANSWER





10. The **girls'** outfits were exactly the same.





11. We were proud
of Chris
performance.

ANSWER





11. We were proud
of **Chris'**
performance.





How did you do?

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