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Apostrophes for Possession

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Remember

1. Find the owner. Who does it belong to? Is there one owner or more than one?
2. One owner: add **'s** (the girl's coat).
3. More than one owner, and the word ends in s: add ' after the s (the girls' coats).
4. More than one owner, but the word does not end in s: add **'s** (the children's toys).

Worked example

The girls coats were wet (more than one girl). *girls* already ends in s, so: The **girls'** coats were wet.

Your turn

1. the boys football (one boy)

2. the girls bikes (several girls)

3. the childrens toys

4. my sisters room (one sister)

5 the teachers car park (many teachers)

6 the womens team

7 the dogs bowl (one dog)

8 the peoples choice

Challenge

C1 Correct the mistake: *The cat's are sleeping in the sun.*

C2 Correct the mistake: *The two teacher's cars were blocked in.*

Well done! Check your answers with a grown-up.

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Answers: Apostrophes for Possession

For parents and tutors. You may want to print this page separately.

1	the boy's football
2	the girls' bikes
3	the children's toys
4	my sister's room
5	the teachers' car park
6	the women's team
7	the dog's bowl
8	the people's choice
C1	The cats are sleeping in the sun. (No apostrophe – nothing belongs to the cats; it is just a plural.)
C2	The two teachers' cars were blocked in.