

Possessive Adjectives & Pronouns

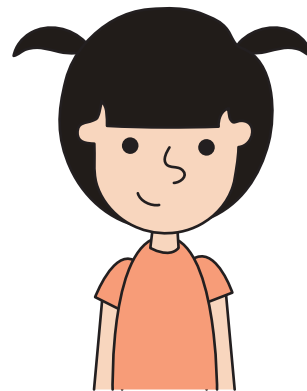
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1 Grammar Notes

There are many ways to show *who* something belongs to.

Example:

Whose book is it?



- It is **Robyn's** book.
(*possessive noun*)
- It is **her** book.
(*possessive adjective*)
- The book is **hers**.
(*possessive pronoun*)

Let's learn more about possessive adjectives and possessive pronouns.

1 Grammar Notes cont.

A. Possessive Adjectives

Chart

		Subject Pronouns	Possessive Adjectives
Singular	1st person	I	my
	2nd person	you	your
	3rd person	he she it	his her its
Plural	1st person	we	our
	2nd person	you (plural)	your (plural)
	3rd person	they	their

Sentence Position

Possessive adjectives always go **before a noun**.

- Do you want to borrow **my** pencil?
- That's **her** cat.
- **His** bicycle is new.
- **Their** parents are sleeping.

1 Grammar Notes cont.

B. Possessive Pronouns

Chart

		Subject Pronouns	Possessive Pronouns
Singular	1st person	I	mine
	2nd person	you	yours
	3rd person	he she it	his hers —
Plural	1st person	we	ours
	2nd person	you (plural)	yours (plural)
	3rd person	they	theirs

Sentence Position

Possessive pronouns never go before a noun. They take the place of a noun. They are the subject or object in a sentence, so they go **before or after a verb**.

- That book is **mine**.
- That house is **ours**.
- **Yours** is the chair on the left.
- His lunch isn't very good, but **hers** is.

Note:

The possessive adjective *its* can never be a possessive pronoun.

- ✓ The dog is eating from **its** bowl.
- ✗ That bowl is **its**.

1 Grammar Notes cont.

C. Comparison Chart

		Possessive Adjectives	Possessive Pronouns
Singular	1st person	my	mine
	2nd person	your	yours
	3rd person	his her its	his hers —
Plural	1st person	our	ours
	2nd person	your (plural)	yours (plural)
	3rd person	their	theirs

1 Grammar Notes cont.

D. Commonly Confused Words

Don't get confused by these word pairs with similar sounds!

	Meaning	Examples
Your	<i>Your</i> comes before a noun and shows possession.	Is that your dog?
You're	<i>You're</i> means <i>you are</i> and is the subject/verb of a sentence.	You're not listening to me.
	Meaning	Examples
Its	<i>Its</i> comes before a noun and shows possession.	What's wrong with its paw?
It's	<i>It's</i> means <i>it is</i> and is the subject/verb of a sentence.	It's a nice day.
	Meaning	Examples
Their	<i>Their</i> comes before a noun and shows possession.	Their bikes are locked in the garage.
They're	<i>They're</i> means <i>they are</i> and is the subject/verb of a sentence.	They're playing in the park.
There	<i>There</i> has many meanings. Two of the most common uses are as an indefinite subject and a location.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is milk in the fridge. • It's over there.

2 Fill in the Blanks

Fill in the blanks with the correct **possessive adjective**.

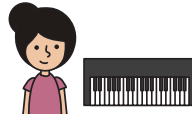
1 This is my bicycle.



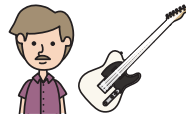
2 This is _____ skateboard.



3 This is _____ piano.



4 This is _____ guitar.



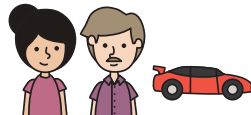
5 This is _____ leash.



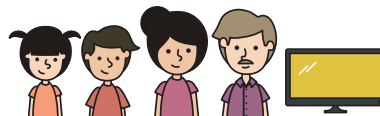
6 This is _____ swing set.



7 This is _____ car.



8 This is _____ TV.



9 This is _____ food dish.



10 This is _____ house.



Possessive Adjectives:

- my
- his
- her
- its
- our
- their

My Family:



me



my brother



my mother



my father

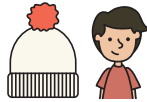


my dog

3 Complete the Sentences

Complete the sentences with the correct **possessive pronoun**.

1 This hat is his .



2 This bed is _____ .



3 This swimming pool is _____ .



4 This baseball is _____ .



5 This lawnmower is _____ .



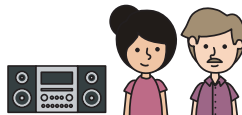
6 This book is _____ .



7 This board game is _____ .



8 This stereo is _____ .



9 This backpack is _____ .



10 This pillow is _____ .



Possessive Pronouns:

- mine
- his
- hers
- ours
- theirs

My Family:



me



my brother



my mother





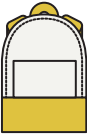
my father



my dog

4 Questions

Write the questions with the correct **possessive adjective**.

- 1  Is this your guitar?
Yes, it's mine.
- 2  _____
Yes, it's theirs.
- 3  _____
Yes, it's hers.
- 4  _____
Yes, it's mine.
- 5  _____
Yes, it's his.
- 6  _____
Yes, it's ours.
- 7  _____
Yes, it's his.
- 8  _____
Yes, it's theirs.
- 9  _____
Yes, it's hers.
- 10  _____
Yes, it's mine.

5 Answers

Write the answers with the correct **possessive pronoun**.
Use the subject pronoun in parentheses to help you.

- 1 (she) Whose skateboard is this?
It's hers.
- 2 (we) Whose cat is this?

- 3 (I) Whose backpack is this?

- 4 (they) Whose swing set is this?

- 5 (you) Whose apple is this?

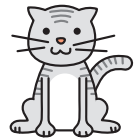
- 6 (I) Whose toothbrush is this?

- 7 (he) Whose orange juice is this?

- 8 (we) Whose TV is this?

- 9 (she) Whose coat is this?

- 10 (they) Whose car is this?



6 Check the Box

Look at the possessive words in **bold**.
Put a check mark (✓) in the correct box.

#	Sentence / Question	Possessive Adjective	Possessive Pronoun
1	My mother works at a bank.	✓	
2	The pen on the table is mine .		
3	Is this iPad yours ?		
4	Their parents are from Sweden.		
5	Your puppy is cute. What's its name?		
6	His is blue, not green.		
7	Where is my laptop?		
8	Is this your jacket?		
9	We have to finish our homework.		
10	Is this game ours or theirs ?		

7 Find the Error

Find one mistake in each sentence.
Rewrite the sentences correctly.

- 1 I like there new car.
I like their new car.
- 2 Ours cat is black and white.

- 3 Do you feed you're dog every day?

- 4 Can I borrow yours pencil?

- 5 They're books are on the table.

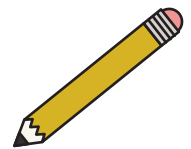
- 6 Put the cat's food in it's dish.

- 7 Yours friends are nice.

- 8 This toy is her.

- 9 His bicycle is at hers house.

- 10 Do you like mine skateboard?



8 Pair Work

Tell your partner about some of the backpacks or bags in your classroom. Try to use as many possessive adjectives and pronouns as you can.

- 1 Describe your backpack or bag.
- 2 Describe a boy's backpack or bag.
- 3 Describe a girl's backpack or bag.
- 4 Describe two backpacks that are the same or similar.
- 5 Whose backpack is your favorite?

Example:

- A** Describe your backpack or bag.
- B** This blue backpack is mine.
My backpack has a picture of a wolf on it.
There are many zippers on my backpack.
Now, please describe your backpack.



9 Quiz

Circle the correct answer.

- 1 Is that _____ crayon?
a) my
b) mine
- 2 _____ sister is at school.
a) Her
b) Hers
- 3 Your bicycle is nice,
but I like _____ better.
a) him
b) his
- 4 Give the dog _____ toy.
a) its
b) it's
- 5 _____ not at school today.
a) Their
b) They're
- 6 Is this book _____ ?
a) your
b) yours
- 7 _____ house is blue and white.
a) Our
b) Ours
- 8 Can I borrow _____ pencil?
a) your
b) you're
- 9 _____ is the one on the left.
a) My
b) Mine
- 10 _____ grades are improving.
a) Their
b) They're

