Possessive pronouns and adjectives

A possessive adjective is always followed by a noun. For example: my computer, your cat, his brother etc.

A possessive pronoun is used without a noun. For example: mine, yours, his, hers, ours, theirs etc.

Read the following sentences and state whether the pronouns are used as possessive pronouns or possessive adjectives.

1. **Her father is a firefighter.**

a) "Her" is a possessive adjective

b) "Her" is a possessive pronoun

2. **This is our house.**

a) "our" is a possessive adjective

b) "our" is a possessive pronoun

3. **This is Tom's bike. It's his.**

a) "his" is a possessive adjective

b) "his" is a possessive pronoun

4. **Those are my mother's dresses.**

a) "my" is a possessive adjective

b) "my" is a possessive pronoun

5. **Spotty is your dog. It's yours.**

a) "yours" is a possessive adjective

b) "yours" is a possessive pronoun

6. **These are your parents' cars. They are theirs.**

a) "theirs" is a possessive adjective

b) "theirs" is a possessive pronoun

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7. This is her cat's bawl. It's its bawl.

a) "its" is a possessive adjective

b) "its" is a possessive pronoun

8. That is her bag. That bag is hers.

a) "hers" is a possessive adjective

b) "hers" is a possessive pronoun

9. These books are ours.

a) "ours" is a possessive adjective

b) "ours" is a possessive pronoun

10. He's got an umbrella. It's his umbrella.

a) "his" is a possessive adjective

b) "his" is a possessive pronoun

11. This box is mine.

a) "mine" is a possessive adjective

b) "mine" is a possessive pronoun

12. These are your pens.

a) "your" is a possessive adjective

b) "your" is a possessive pronoun

13. They are their teachers.

a) "their" is a possessive adjective

b) "their" is a possessive pronoun

14. I've got a cat. Its tail is long.

a) "Its" is a possessive adjective

b) "Its" is a possessive pronoun

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