

# Possessive: Irregular Plural Nouns

The **children's books** are on the floor.

Missy and Patty are **women's names**.

That store sells **men's shoes**.

Those **people's houses** are big.



Irregular plural nouns (children, men, women, people) have an irregular plural possessive form. The apostrophe ('') comes before the final -s.

## GENERAL RULE:

If a plural noun ends in -s, add the apostrophe ('') after the -s. If a plural noun does not end in -s, add an apostrophe ('') and a final -s.

**REGULAR PLURAL POSSESSIVE NOUN:**  
**the students' books**

**IRREGULAR PLURAL POSSESSIVE NOUN:**  
**the women's books**

**EXERCISE:** Complete the sentences by using the correct possessive form of the nouns in parentheses.

(children)

Example: There are some **children's** books in this library.

1. (girl)

Sofia is a \_\_\_\_\_ name.

2. (girls)

Susan and Patsy are \_\_\_\_\_ names.

3. (women)

Sonia and Roberta are \_\_\_\_\_ names.

4. (aunt)

I am living at my \_\_\_\_\_ house.

5. (person)

That \_\_\_\_\_ job is in Argentina.

6. (people)

Those \_\_\_\_\_ jobs are in Argentina.

7. (sister)

Do you know my \_\_\_\_\_ boyfriend?

8. (sisters)

Do you know my \_\_\_\_\_ boyfriends?

9. (wife)

My \_\_\_\_\_ name is Gloria.

10. (cat)

My \_\_\_\_\_ name is Fluffy

11. (cats)

My \_\_\_\_\_ names are Fluffy and Cleo.

12. (men)

Are Tommy and Bobby \_\_\_\_\_ names?

13. (children)

Our \_\_\_\_\_ park is far from our house.

14. (man, woman)

Chris can be a \_\_\_\_\_ nickname or a

\_\_\_\_\_ nickname.