

Apostrophe (')

Grammar

An apostrophe (') is a small punctuation mark used for two main reasons:

1. Contractions (Short Forms)

An apostrophe replaces missing letters.

Examples:

- I am happy. → **I'm** happy.
- Do not run. → **Don't** run.

2. Possession (Showing Ownership)

An apostrophe can show that something belongs to someone.

Singular Nouns - Add 's

- Tom's book
- Anna's bag

Plural Nouns (ending in s)

- The cats' food (+1 cat)
- My parents' house

1 - Add the apostrophe. (Singular and Plural)

- The students classroom → _____
- My brother bike → _____
- Sarah book → _____
- James computer → _____
- The girls backpacks → _____

Example:

The book of Sarah
→ Sarah's book



2 - Choose the Correct Answer.

- (Its / It's) sunny today.
- The dog wagged (its / it's) tail.
- (You're / Your) my best friend.
- The (girl's / girls') bikes are new.



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C = Contraction (two words joined together)

P = Possession (something belongs to someone)

The dog's toy



(Possession)

It's raining



(Contraction)

3 - Read each sentence and write C or P:

a) Emma's backpack is blue. **C** **P**



b) They're playing soccer after school. **C** **P**



c) My brother's bike is new. **C** **P**



d) It's a beautiful day. **C** **P**

e) The dog's tail is very long. **C** **P**

f) She's my best friend. **C** **P**



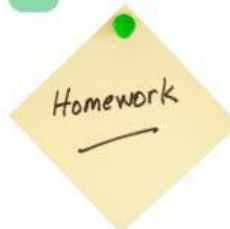
g) Tom's laptop is on the desk. **C** **P**

h) We're ready for class. **C** **P**



i) The teacher's books are on the table. **C** **P**

j) Don't forget your homework. **C** **P**



k) The cat's food is in the kitchen. **C** **P**

l) He's wearing a red jacket. **C** **P**



m) Anna's pencil is under the chair. **C** **P**

n) You'll love this movie. **C** **P**



o) My parents' house is very big. **C** **P**

p) The students' classroom is clean. **C** **P**



q) I'll call you later. **C** **P**

r) The baby's blanket is soft. **C** **P**



s) We've finished our homework. **C** **P**

t) James's guitar is expensive. **C** **P**

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4 - Read each paragraph. Complete the blanks with the correct apostrophe form. Remember to use **apostrophes** for contractions and possession.

Every morning, I get ready for school. My **(mom kitchen)** _____ is next to the living room. **(She is)** _____ making breakfast, and my **(brother is)** _____ still sleeping. I tell him, "**(Do not)** _____ be late!"

Today, we have an English class. The (students book) _____ are new. Our teacher says, "**(Do not)** _____ forget your books!" I think **(it is)** _____ going to be a fun class.

5 - Write a short paragraph about your family, your home, your school, or your weekend.

- Use at least 3 apostrophes in your text

Check Your Text

- I used at least 3 apostrophes.
- I used contractions.
- I used possession.
- I checked my spelling.
- I used capital letters and periods.