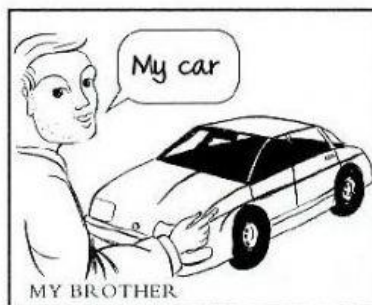


-’s (Ann’s camera / my brother’s car etc.)

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Ann’s camera
(her camera)



my brother’s car
(his car)



the manager’s office
(his or her office)

We normally use -’s for people:

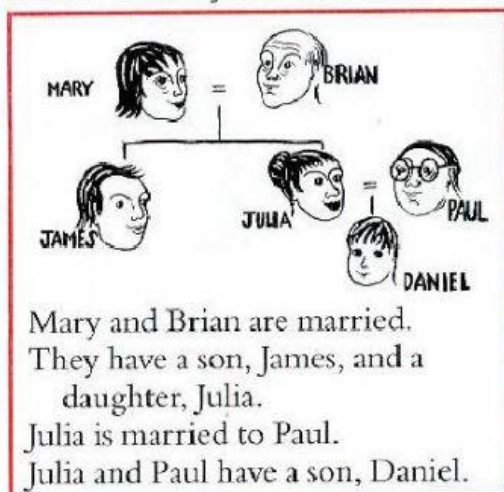
- I stayed at **my sister’s** house. (*not* ‘the house of my sister’)
- Have you met **Mr Kelly’s** wife? (*not* ‘the wife of Mr Kelly’)
- Are you going to **James’s** party?
- Paul is **a man’s** name. Paula is **a woman’s** name.

We use **of** ... for *things, places* etc.:

- Look at the roof **of that building**. (*not* ‘that building’s roof’)
- We didn’t see the beginning **of the film**. (*not* ‘the film’s beginning’)
- What’s the name **of this village**?
- Do you know the cause **of the problem**?
- You can sit in the back **of the car**.
- Madrid is the capital **of Spain**.

EXERCISES

Look at the family tree. Write sentences about the people in the family.



- 1 (Brian/husband) Brian is Mary's husband.
- 2 (Julia/mother) Julia is Daniel's mother.
- 3 (Mary/wife) Mary is wife.
- 4 (James/brother) James
- 5 (James/uncle) uncle.
- 6 (Julia/wife) Julia
- 7 (Mary/grandmother)
- 8 (Julia/sister)
- 9 (Paul/husband)
- 10 (Paul/father)
- 11 (Daniel/nephew)

Are these sentences OK? Correct the sentences where necessary.

- 1 I stayed at the house of my sister.
- 2 What is the name of this village?
- 3 Do you like the colour of this coat?
- 4 Do you know the phone number of Bill?
- 5 The job of my brother is very interesting.
- 6 Write your name at the top of the page.
- 7 For me the morning is the best part of the day.
- 8 The favourite colour of Paula is blue.
- 9 When is the birthday of your mother?
- 10 The house of my parents isn't very big.
- 11 The walls of this house are very thin.
- 12 The car stopped at the end of the street.
- 13 Are you going to the party of Silvia next week?
- 14 The manager of the hotel is on holiday at the moment.

my sister's house
OK