

## GRAMMAR

### Possessive Nouns

Tell whether each underlined possessive noun is singular or plural.

Examples:    *The penguins' home is in Antarctica.*      plural  
                  *The tree's leaves are yellow.*      singular

1. That book's pages are wrinkled. \_\_\_\_\_
2. The girls' ball went over the fence. \_\_\_\_\_
3. My jacket's button needs to be fixed. \_\_\_\_\_
4. The horses' riders were dressed in red. \_\_\_\_\_
5. The artists' paintings quickly sold out. \_\_\_\_\_

Add an apostrophe (') to form the possessive of each noun below.

Example:    *The \_\_\_\_\_ leaves are red.*  
                  (trees)  
Answer:      *The trees' leaves are red.*

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ cribs were empty.  
(babies)
2. Can you come to my \_\_\_\_\_ house?  
(brother)
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ books were very popular.  
(author)
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ backpacks were all in the closet.  
(children)
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ dresses arrived on time.  
(women)

**Read each pair of sentences. Then, combine them to form one sentence using a singular possessive noun.**

*Example: Peter found the notebook. The notebook belonged to Sam.*

*Answer: Peter found Sam's notebook.*

1. The police officer checked the bicycle. The bicycle belonged to Joe.
2. Nicky borrowed a pencil. The pencil belonged to Jonas.
3. Jessica put on the big boots. The boots belonged to her brother.
4. The package was delivered on Friday. The package belonged to Sylvia.
5. The car broke down on the road. Mrs. Peterson is the owner of the car.