

Genitive or 'OF-Construction

Exercise 1

Add the correct genitive ending.

Example:

The manager / office → *the manager's office*

1. Alice / friend
2. The girls / parents
3. Richard Adams / life
4. Sarah / life
5. Our children / birthdays
6. In twenty years / time
7. Jimmy / behavior
8. Morris / wife
9. David Evans / farm
10. the students / level

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Exercise 2

Make sentences as in the example. Decide yourself if you need the **of-construction** or the **genitive**.

Example:

I like *Ann's camera*.

(the camera / Ann)

What is *the name of this town*?

(The name / this town)

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| 1. When is _____ ? | (birthday / your sister) |
| 2. Do you like _____ ? | (colour / this coat) |
| 3. Write your name at _____. | (top / the page) |
| 4. What is _____ ? | (address / Jill) |
| 5. What was _____ ? | (cause / the accident) |
| 6. _____ is near the city centre. | (house / my parents) |
| 7. _____ is very good. | (spoken English / Maria) |
| 8. For me the morning is _____. | (best part / day) |
| 9. _____ is very interesting. | (job / my brother) |
| 10. The car stops at _____. | (end / the street) |
| 11. _____ is blue. | (favourite colour / Pat) |
| 12. _____ are very thin. | (walls / this house) |
| 13. Philip is _____. | (husband / Liz) |
| 15. Those are _____. | (shoes / Sarah) |

Exercise 3

Fill in the following chart with all of the forms for each noun.

	Singular	Singular possessive	Plural only	Plural possessive
	wife	wife's	wives	wives'
1.	dog
2.	wolf
3.	tree
4.	lady
5.	fox
6.	tooth
7.	play
8.	worker
9.	shelf
10.	man
11.	studio
12.	place

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| 13. fly | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 14. child | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 15. woman | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 16. face | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 17. bridge | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 18. chief | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 19. company | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 20. church | _____ | _____ | _____ |

