

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

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)

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	_____	_____	_____

13. fly _____

14. child _____

15. woman _____

16. face _____

17. bridge _____

18. chief _____

19. company _____

20. church _____

