Possessive apostrophes



The boy's boots are made of real leather.

Language focus

Use **possessive apostrophes** to talk about things that belong to a particular person. *Is this Mum's hat?*

If a noun is plural, the apostrophe goes after the **s**.

The girls' badges (meaning the badges of more than one girl).

If referring to someone whose name ends in **s**, you can either add an apostrophe after the **s** or add an apostrophe and another **s**.

James' car or *James's car.*

1 **Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.**

1 full / Esra's / of / books / is / house / .
Esra's house is full of books.

2 brother / know / do / Jon's / you / ?

3 new / bike / Mum's / like / I / really / .

4 hat / Alex's / is / where / ?

5 is / broken / racket / Javi's / tennis / .

6 of / gold / made / is / Tom's / badge / .

7 called / Sheriff / is / Ana's / cat / .

8 the / wardrobe / in / is / Hasan's / jacket / .

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2 Add possessive apostrophes.

1 Kates smartphone was very expensive.
Kate's smartphone was very expensive.

2 Carlas brothers are much older than her.

3 Michaels dog is very friendly.

4 My grandparents house is very small.

5 My parents car needs to be repaired.

6 Williams piano is very old, but he loves it.

7 My sisters bedrooms are on the second floor of the house.

8 Mums computer is better than mine.

3 Read the information and choose the correct sentence.

1 Sam says, 'I've got two brothers. They are very tall.'
(a) The boy's brothers are tall. b The boys' brothers are tall.

2 Martina says, 'I've got two sisters. One of them has got a red scarf.'
a The girl's sister has got a red scarf. b The girl's sisters have got red scarves.

3 Lola says, 'My friends have all got new phones.'
a The girl's friends have got new phones. b The girl's friend has got a new phone.

4 Mark and Jack say, 'Our History teacher wears big glasses.'
a The boy's teacher wears big glasses. b The boys' teacher wears big glasses.

5 Alana says, 'My dogs like playing with the ball.'
a The girl's dogs like playing with the ball. b The girls' dog likes playing with the ball.

6 Alice and Cathy say, 'Our town is a nice place.'
a The girl's town is a nice place. b The girls' town is a nice place.

4 Write sentences about your friends and family using the possessive apostrophe.

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