

The Genitive Case ('s and Possessive Forms)

My Family's House

Emma lives in a small house with her family. **Emma's bedroom** is next to her **brother's room**. Every morning, **her mother's cat** sleeps on **her father's chair**. On Sundays, the family visits their **grandparents' house**. **Grandma's garden** is full of beautiful flowers, and **Grandpa's dog** loves playing with the children. Emma likes spending time with her cousins because her **cousins' games** are always fun.

Grammar: The Genitive Case ('s)

We use the genitive case ('s) to show possession.

Singular nouns: add 's
= **person + 's + object**

Emma's book

The girl's bike

The teacher's bag

My brother's phone

Plural nouns ending in -s: add ' = people + ' + object

The boys' toys

My parents' house

The girls' classroom

My cousins' bikes

***Irregular plural nouns:**
add 's

Children's books

Men's shoes

Women's clothes

Questions:

Whose = asks about possession.

Whose bag is this? - It's Anna's bag.

Whose dog is that? - It's my uncle's dog.

Remember!

✓ Emma's book

✓ My mother's car

✓ My parents' house

✓ The children's toys

✗ Emma book

✗ My mother car

Exercise 1 – Complete with 's or '

Emma _____ book is on the table.

My father _____ car is blue.

The girls _____ classroom is big.

My parents _____ bedroom is upstairs.

The children _____ toys are new.

Exercise 2 – Choose the correct answer

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| 1. This is my | 2. That is my |
| a) sister room | a) parents' house |
| b) sister's room | b) parents house |
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| 3. These are the | 4. It's my |
| a) children's books | a) uncle's dog |
| b) childrens' books | b) uncle dog |

Exercise 3 – Rewrite using the genitive ('s)

Example: The book of Emma. → Emma's book

The bike of my brother. _____

The room of my parents. _____

The toys of the children. _____

The cat of my grandmother. _____

The computer of the teacher. _____

The house of my uncle. _____

The dog of my cousins. _____