

Possessive Nouns

Write the possessive form of the noun in parentheses to show belonging.

1. That is the (minister) minister's car.
2. Those (scarves) _____ pattern is African.
3. The (women) _____ appointment is now.
4. My (parents) _____ opinion is unanimous.
5. Are these (George) _____ parents?
6. That (program) _____ premise is good.
7. The (teachers) _____ union is active.
8. The little (bell) _____ handle is missing.
9. The (babies) _____ class is full.



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A Possessive Pronoun replaces a *possessive adjective + noun* to avoid repeating information that is already clear.

- This book is **my book**, not **your book**. (Sounds repetitive)

- This book is **mine**, not **yours**. (Sounds more natural)

POSSESSIVE ADJECTIVE		POSSESSIVE PRONOUN	
MY	My shirt is green.	MINE	The shirt is mine.
YOUR	Your book is new.	YOURS	The book is yours.
HIS	His pillow is soft.	HIS	The pillow is his.
HER	Her dog is small.	HERS	The dog is hers.
ITS	Its bone is old.	---- *	* We don't use <i>its</i> as a possessive pronoun.
OUR	Our bird is noisy.	OURS	The bird is ours.
YOUR	Your house is big.	YOURS	The house is yours.
THEIR	Their car is slow.	THEIRS	The car is theirs.

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λ Fill in the blanks below to complete the sentences. Use the words in the above box.

- We bought that house last year. It is ours.
- This car belongs to Mr. and Mrs. Smith. It is _____.
- I think I saw John drop this pen. I think it is _____.
- This book is _____. It has my name on it.
- My brother and I made that chair. It's _____.
- Excuse me. This phone is _____. You forgot to take it with you.
- Her sister drew the picture. It's _____.
- The little boy shouted, "Give the ball to me! It's _____!"