You have already learned how to use an apostrophe in contractions.
Examples: **Can not** becomes **can't**. **I am** becomes **I'm.** **She would** becomes **she'd.** **He is** becomes **he's.**

*Now it's time to use an apostrophe to show **possession.***
Possession means belonging to or ownership.
Example: Joe**'s** lunch smells yummy. –The lunch belongs to Joe, so we put **'s** after Joe.
My sister**'s** room is messy! – The room belongs to my sister, so we put **'s** after sister.
These are called **singular possessive nouns**. A noun is a person, place, or thing remember? Singular means one. Next time we will learn about plural possessive nouns. Plural meaning more than one.

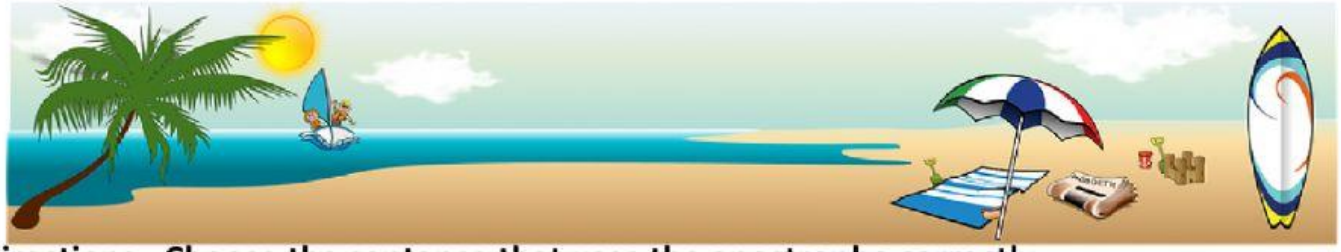
Let's Practice!

Directions: Choose the sentence that uses the apostrophe correctly.

1. (A) I went to Mary's house this weekend.
   (B) I went to Marys house this weekend.
   (C) I went to Marys' house this weekend.

2. (A) Marks new house is really nice!
   (B) Marks' new house is really nice!
   (C) Mark's new house is really nice!

3. (A) My teachers's chair is blue.
   (B) My teacher's chair is blue.
   (C) My teachers' chair is blue.



Directions: Choose the sentence that uses the apostrophe correctly.

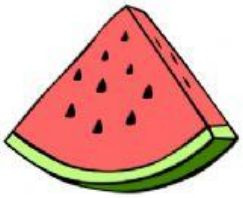
1. (A) The computer's keyboard is broken.
   (B) The computers' keyboard is broken.
   (C) The computers keyboard is broken.

2. (A) My sister's birthday is this week.
   (B) My sisters birthday is this week.
   (C) My sisters' birthday is this week.

3. (A) Liams brother can run really fast!
   (B) Liam's brother can run really fast!
   (C) Liams brother can run really fast!

Directions: Choose the sentence that uses the apostrophe correctly.

1. (A) The cat's fur is black and white.
   (B) The cats fur is black and white.
   (C)The cat's fur is black and white.

2. (A) Do you know where Lisas' house is?
   (B) Do you know where Lisa's house is?
   (C) Do you know where Lisas house is?

3. (A) I really like Johns new backpack.
   (B) I really like Johns' new backpack.
   (C) I really like John's new backpack.