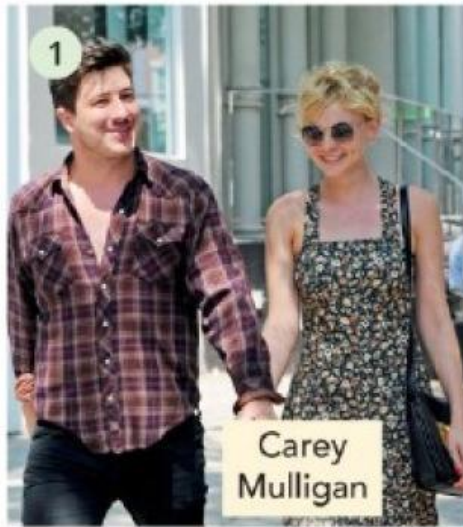


Look at some photos of actors with family. With a partner, choose a or b below.



- 1 He's Carey Mulligan's
- 2 She's Meryl Streep's
- 3 She's Jake Gyllenhaal's
- 4 He's Morgan Freeman's
- 5 He's Mary-Kate Olsen's

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| a husband. | b brother. |
| a sister. | b daughter. |
| a wife. | b sister. |
| a son. | b brother. |
| a father. | b husband. |

4.1 Listen and check.

4A possessive 's, Whose...?

- 1 He's Brad Pitt's brother. It's James's laptop.  4.2
- 2 It's my parents' car.
- 3 'Whose is this bag?' 'It's Maria's.'
- 4 The end of the film is fantastic. I live in the city centre.

- 1 We use a person + 's to talk about family and possessions.
He's Brad Pitt's brother. NOT ~~He's the brother of Brad Pitt.~~
- 2 With regular plural nouns we put the ' after the s.
It's my parents' car. NOT ~~It's my parent's car.~~
- With irregular plural nouns, e.g. *children, men*, we use 's,
e.g. *the children's room, men's clothes.*

- 3 We use *Whose...?* to ask about possessions.
We can ask *Whose is this bag?* **OR** *Whose bag is this?*
We can answer *It's Maria's bag.* **OR** *It's Maria's.*
- 4 We don't usually use a thing + 's, e.g. *the end of the class*
NOT ~~*the class's end, the city centre*~~ **NOT** ~~*the city's centre.*~~



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Be careful with 's. It can be two things:

Maria's mother – 's = of Maria *Maria's Spanish* – 's = is

Whose / Who's

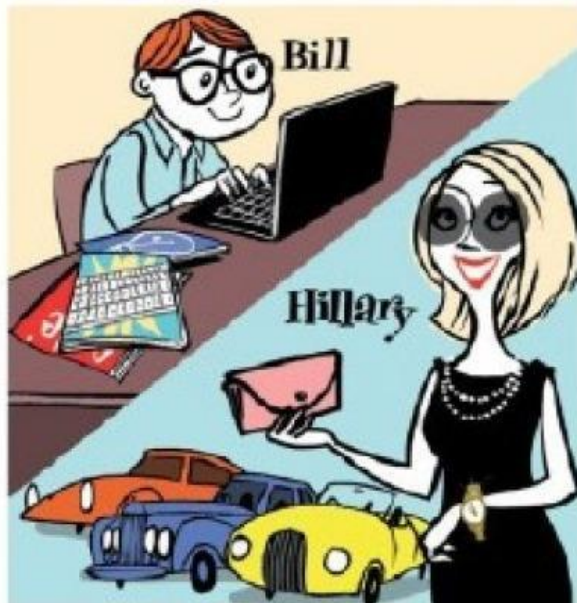
Who's = *Who is*, e.g. '**Who's** that girl?' '*She's* my sister.'

Whose = of *who*, e.g. '**Whose** is this bag?' '*It's* Jack's.'

Whose and *Who's* are pronounced the same /hu:z/.

4A

- a Look at the pictures. Answer the questions with a short sentence.



Whose is the laptop?

It's Bill's laptop.

- 1 Whose are the cars?
- 2 Whose is the purse?
- 3 Whose are the magazines?
- 4 Whose is the watch?
- 5 Whose are the glasses?

b Circle the correct form.

Monica Cruz is Penelope's sister / sister's Penelope.

- 1 It's *my mother's birthday* / *my birthday's mother*.
- 2 That's *her parent's house* / *her parents' house*.
- 3 I'm tired when I go home at *the end of the day* / *the day's end*.
- 4 Those are *friends' my sister* / *my sister's friends*.
- 5 *The door of the classroom* / *The classroom's door* is open.
- 6 Those are *the students' desks* / *the desk's students*.

c Complete with **Whose** or **Who's**.

Whose car is this?

Who's the man with dark hair?

- 1 _____ book is this?
- 2 _____ phone is that?
- 3 _____ your favourite singer?
- 4 _____ Kevin's girlfriend?
- 5 _____ bag is this?
- 6 _____ their English teacher?