

Spelling: Singular Words with Possessive Apostrophes

Singular nouns

A **singular noun** is a noun referring to just one person or thing.

For example: Cat

When you want to show that something belongs to that person or thing, you add a **possessive apostrophe** and an **s**.

For example: The cat's tail was fluffy.

's shows that the tail belongs to the cat.

Top tip

If a singular noun already ends in **s**, you don't need to add another **s**. You can just add an **apostrophe** at the end.

For example: Charles' cat was naughty.



Look at these other examples and then complete the worksheet.



The boy's umbrella
(The umbrella of the boy)



The cat's toys
(The toys of the cat)



Jess's hat



The man's car

Tick the sentence that uses an apostrophe correctly.

1. The bikes brake's were very squeaky.
The bikes' brake were very squeaky.
The bike's brakes were very squeaky.

2. Jimmy's pizzas are the tastiest.
Jimmys pizza's are the tastiest.
Jimm'ys pizzas are the tastiest.

3. Yorkshires' weather can be wet and cold.
Yorkshire's weather can be wet and cold.
Yorkshires weather's can be wet and cold.

4. Mr Walsh's lessons are always interesting.
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Mr Walshs lessons are alway's interesting.

Rewrite the sentences with the apostrophe in the correct place.

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Can you write two sentences of your own now which use a singular noun and a possessive apostrophe?