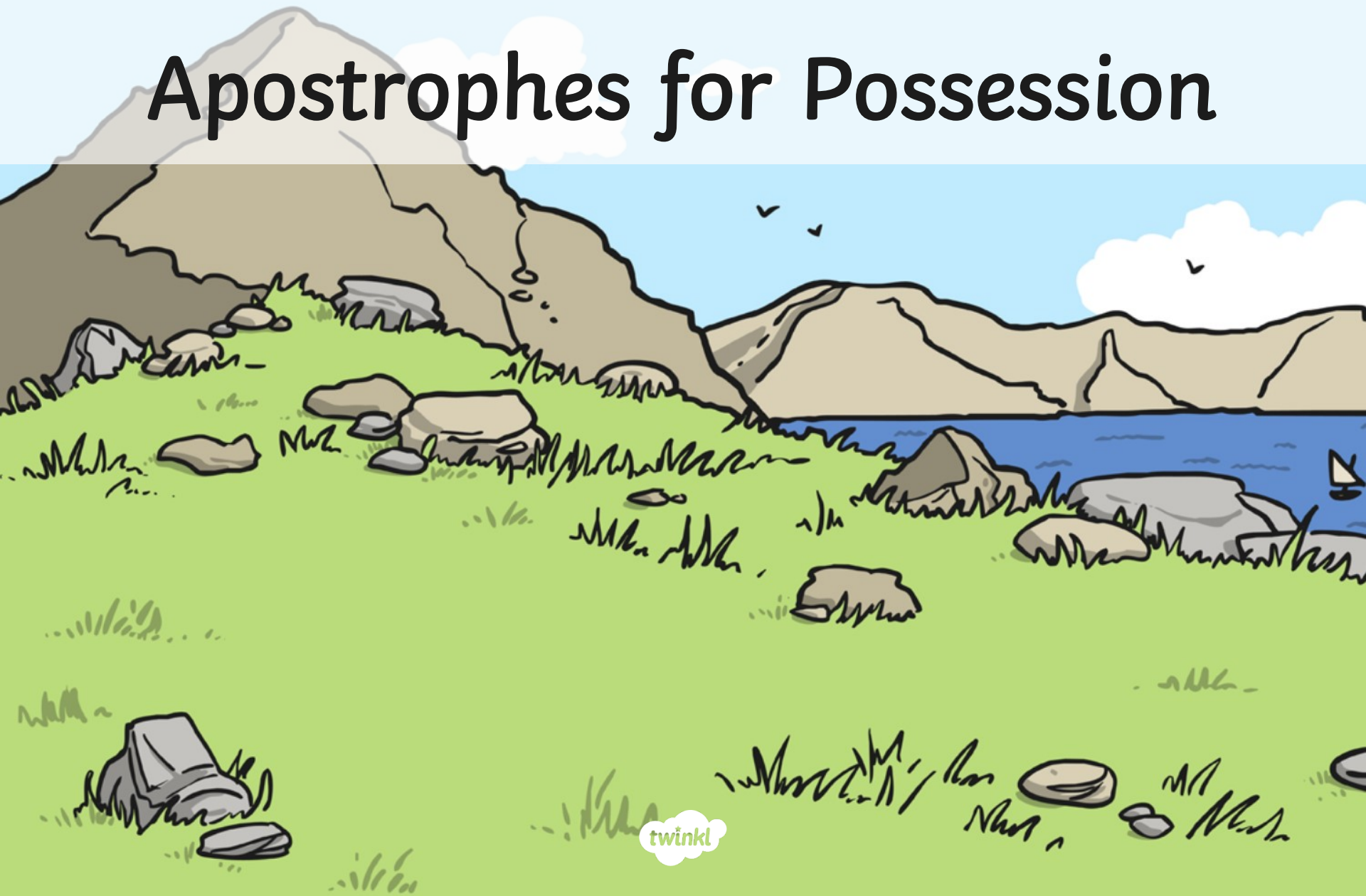
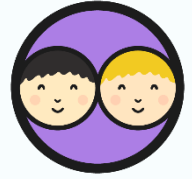


# Apostrophes for Possession



# Who Does It Belong To?

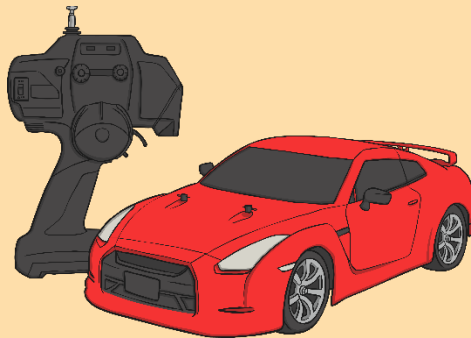


## Possession

When we own or have something it is called possession.



The blue bike  
belongs to Isa.

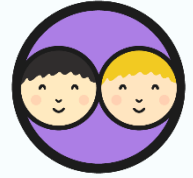


The red car  
belongs to Jodie.



The football  
belongs to Samera.

# Who Does It Belong To?



Read the speech bubbles and work out which item belongs to each child.  
Write a sentence on your whiteboard to explain.

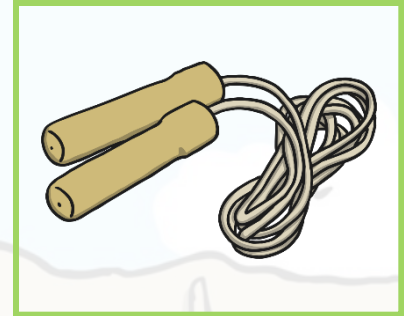
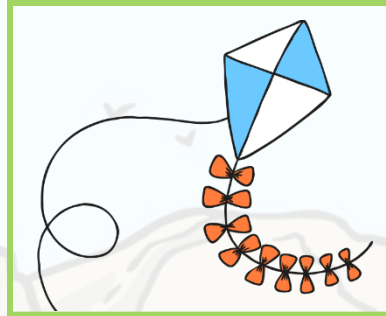
I love to  
ride my  
bike



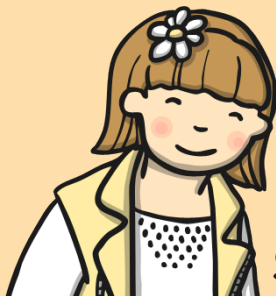
Jacob

The blue bike  
belongs to Jacob.

The.....belongs to.....



My skateboard  
is very fast.



Sophie

This kite is  
amazing.



Jared

I love my  
skipping rope.



Anna

This is my  
favourite  
book.



Dan

# Apostrophes to Show Possession

Sometimes using the words **belongs to** doesn't sound right.

For example if we were introducing someone we wouldn't say:

These are the parents that belong to Maddison.

What do you think we would say?

We would probably say:

These are Maddison's parents.





# Apostrophes to Show Possession

These are Maddison's parents.

What do you notice about this sentence?  
Look at the name Maddison.

This sentence contains an  
apostrophe.

The apostrophe in this sentence tells us that  
the parents belong to Maddison.

We need the apostrophe to make it clear to  
our reader who it belongs to.



# Apostrophes to Show Possession

When we say something belongs to someone, we add an 's' to the end of the word. However we also do this when the word becomes plural.

So we add an apostrophe before the 's' to show our reader we mean 'belongs to'.

one cat



The cat's bed



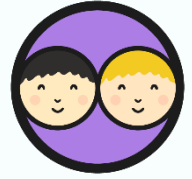
two cats



The dog's bed



# Apostrophes to Show Possession



On your whiteboards, rewrite the sentences below so that they contain an apostrophe. The first one has been done for you.

Remember when we are showing that something belongs to one person, we add the apostrophe before the 's'.

Everybody liked Umars green and yellow bag.



Everybody liked Umar's green and yellow bag.

Remys kitten is  
cute.

This is Zuharas toy  
castle.



# How did you get on?

Remys kitten is  
cute.



Remy's kitten is  
cute.


This is Zuharas toy  
castle.



This is Zuhara's toy  
castle.

# Apostrophes to Show Possession

Using the Possessive Apostrophes Activity Sheets, change each sentence so that it contains an apostrophe.



## Possessive Apostrophes

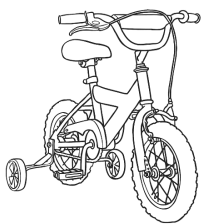
I know when I need to use an apostrophe to show possession.  
I can use possessive apostrophes correctly.



1. Rewrite each sentence below so it includes an apostrophe to show possession.  
The first one has been done for you.


a) The blue bike belongs to Isa.  
Isa's blue bike.

b) The long, warm winter coat belongs to Martin.  
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c) These are the parents that belong to Lucy.  
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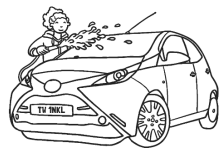



## Possessive Apostrophes



2. Look at the pictures. Can you write a sentence to describe each using an apostrophe to show possession? The first one has been done for you.

a)   
Rachel  
Rachel's toy train

b)   
Sophia  
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c)   
Laiba  
\_\_\_\_\_

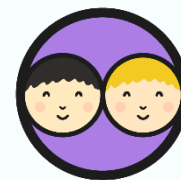
d)   
Lok  
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# Review Activity



# Spot the Possessive Apostrophe



When we want to show that something belongs to someone, we use an apostrophe.

But we also use an apostrophe to show that there are letters missing in words.

Look at the two sentences below:

Gabriel's mum baked the delicious chocolate cake.

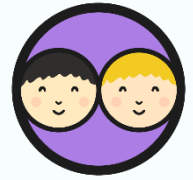
There wasn't much of it left when dad got home.



Which of these sentences includes a possessive apostrophe?

Hint – remember the apostrophe tells us who something or someone belongs to.

# Spot the Possessive Apostrophe



Read through the story. Can you spot the possessive apostrophes?



Take care! Not all of the apostrophes in the story are marking possession. Some are marking missing letters.

## Spot the Possessive Apostrophe

I can identify possessive apostrophes when I'm reading.

1. Read the short story below. Working with your partner, highlight all the **possessive apostrophes** you find. **Be careful**, some of the apostrophes are marking missing letters and not possession.

It was the day of the Great Celebration in Giant's Village. All of the giants had gathered in the town square for the opening of the carnival. There was lots of excited chatter as the mayor approached the microphone.

'Good afternoon giants of Giant's Village. Welcome to the Great Celebration Carnival.'

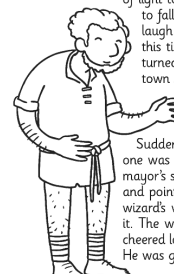
There was a huge cheer from the giants as the mayor spoke.

'It's my pleasure', the mayor continued, 'to officially open the carnival. We have lots of entertainment on stage today and lots of delicious food for you to try. I will be heading to the food tent to try some of mum's special pie... get it before it's all gone!'

Suddenly, the sky turned black and the giants fell silent. From above, they heard a wicked laugh. The giants looked up. High above them, on her broom, was a wicked witch. The witch's wand sent a blue bolt of light to the ground and hail stones the size of tennis balls began to fall all around. The giants began to run for cover. The witch's laugh got louder as she watched them run. Another bolt of light, this time green, flew from the witch's wand and the hail stones turned into frogs which began to chase the giants around the town square.

'Help!' shouted one of the giants, 'I'm scared of frogs and I can't get away!'

Suddenly another flash of light appeared in the sky, but this one was not from the witch's wand. The giants looked over to the mayor's stage. Stood on it was the good wizard. He lifted his wand and pointed at the witch's broom. A bright red light flew from the wizard's wand. It hit the witch's broom and knocked her clean off it. The witch fell into the lake, never to be seen again. The giants cheered loudly and invited the wizard to join in with the celebration. He was given the largest piece of mum's special pie!



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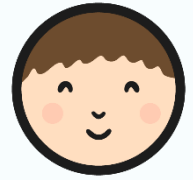


# Consolidation Activity





# Accurate Apostrophes



On the Accurate Apostrophes Activity Sheets, the apostrophes have been used incorrectly.

Can you rewrite each sentence, putting the apostrophe in the correct place?



## Accurate Apostrophes

I can use possessive apostrophes correctly.



1. The sentences below are incorrect. Can you rewrite them placing the apostrophe in the correct place?  
The first one has been done for you.

a) Hamzas' mum had made him chicken and lettuce sandwiches for lunch.

*Hamza's mum had made him chicken and lettuce sandwiches for lunch.*

b) Kay'leighs favourite TV show was about dragons.

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c) Dads' car wouldn't start this morning.

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d) My sis'ters favourite game is hide and seek.

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e) Fatimas' singing impressed the judges.

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# Optional extension activity

## Apostrophes for Possession

The two characters below are wanted by the police. Can you help by writing a description of each?

You must use at least 3 possessive apostrophes for each character. For example, you could write; The girl's hair is long.



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