

POSSESSIVE NOUNS

They show that a person, animal, place, thing or idea has or owns something.



Use possessive nouns ...

to show that something belongs to somebody

to explain the relationship between two or more people

to talk about shops

Greengo has a boat.



This is Greengo's boat.

Greengo has a sister.



This is Greengo's sister.

Greengo is at the greengrocer's.



greengrocer's
This shop sells fresh fruit and vegetables.

The possessive case for people and animals

SINGULAR
NOUNS



cat's
dog's

PLURAL
NOUNS
ending in -s



cats'
dogs'

PLURAL
NOUNS
not ending in -s



sheep's
deer's



for
people
and animals

The possessive case for things

NOUNS NAMING THINGS

the walls
of the house



the house's walls



the roof
of the house



the house's roofs



When we talk about something that does not belong to a person or animal, but is part of another thing, we do not use 's (').

We usually use a phrase with of.