

Plural Nouns and Possessive Nouns

- Singular possessive nouns are formed by adding apostrophe s to singular nouns.
- Plural possessive nouns are formed by adding an apostrophe to plural nouns ending in s, and by adding an apostrophe s to plural nouns that do not end in s.
- Plural nouns that are not possessive do not have an apostrophe in them.

1. Roberto has three ^{Plural Noun} sisters.
2. His ^{Plural Possessive} sisters' birthdays are all in the spring.
3. His youngest ^{Singular Possessive} sister's birthday is in April.
4. Nicole has four ^{Plural Noun} cats.
5. Her ^{Plural Possessive} cats' favorite toys are squeaky mice.
6. This orange ^{Singular Possessive} mouse's tail is missing.

* Identify the Noun(s)
 * Are they singular or plural?
 * Do they show ownership?

	Singular Possessive Nouns	Plural Possessive Nouns	Plural Nouns That Are Not Possessive
ex:	sister's	sisters'	sisters
ex:	cat's	cats'	cats
	mouse's		

Singular Possessive Nouns

- **Possessive nouns** show ownership.
- **Singular possessive nouns** are formed by adding apostrophe *s* to singular nouns. For example, *boat* → *boat's*.

- All Singular Possessive
1. The oars of the boat are wet. *The boat's oars are wet.*
 2. That kayak belongs to Tess. *That is Tess's kayak.*
 3. I rode down the river in Lupe's canoe.
 4. Francis's dog swam alongside the canoe.
 5. We noticed that the bus's tire was flat.

Plural Possessive Nouns

- Plural nouns can also be made into possessives.
- When a plural noun ends in *s*, form the possessive by adding an apostrophe. For example, *girls* → *girls'*.
- When a plural noun does not end in *s*, form the possessive by adding apostrophe *s*. For example, *geese* → *geese's*.

- All Plural Possessive
6. The kayaks belonging to the girls were lying on the riverbank.
The girls' kayaks were lying on the riverbank.
 7. The cries of the geese could be heard miles away.
The geese's cries could be heard miles away.
 8. My brother and I wiped both our cameras' lenses with a towel.
 9. The foxes' coats were red and brown.
 10. Five people's tents blew down in the storm.