

Tender Heart School, Sec- 33B Chandigarh.
Class VI Subject: Eng. Language

Possessive Nouns

Good Morning Students,

Today we will learn about the -
"Possessive Nouns"

When a noun shows possession or belonging it is said to be the possessive case
example - This note book is Shaunak's
which means it belongs to Shaunak.

Possessive Nouns : Usage

- 1 - to show possession
example: Mary's room
- 2 - to show relationship
example: brother's friends
- 3 - to show authorship
example Jagore's songs.
- 4 - when inanimate objects are personified
example: The moon's gentle light.
- 5 - to show the duration of time taken to complete something
example: a month's vacation
- 6 - before the word 'worth'.
example: a rupee's worth of peanuts

Forming Possessive Nouns

1. If a noun is singular, we add 's to the end of the noun to show possession.
example: a dog's bone
2. If a proper noun ends in -s, we can show possession either by adding 's or just the apostrophe. (')
example: Charles' aunt
Jess's ring
3. When a plural noun ends in -s, we only add an apostrophe (') at the end of the word.
example: dogs' collars
tractors' engines
4. If a plural noun does not end in -s we add 's to the end of the word to show possession.
example: women's club.
5. For compound nouns/words, we add 's only to the last word to show possessions.
ex: father-in-law's car
commanders-in-chief's batons
6. If two or more people own same thing we add 's to the name of last person.
example Carol and Sarah's flat.
7. If possessions are owned separately then -
example: Lia's and Parveen's report cards.