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Mine, yours, theirs

Possessive pronouns show who something belongs to.

1 Learn



Mine, yours, his, hers, ours and **theirs** are **possessive pronouns**. They show who owns something, and they stand on their own, with no noun after them.



Who owns it?	I	you	he	she	we	they
Before a noun	my bag	your bag	his bag	her bag	our bag	their bag
On its own	**mine**	**yours**	**his**	**hers**	**ours**	**theirs**

Worked example: *Whose umbrella is this? It belongs to Ava.*

1. **Who owns it?** Ava. She is one girl, so think *she*.
2. **Find the possessive pronoun** for *she* in the chart: **hers**.
3. **Write it:** *The umbrella is **hers**.* Check: no apostrophe!

Flip's tip: possessive pronouns **never** have an apostrophe: hers, ours, yours, theirs. And **my** needs a noun after it (*my coat*), but **mine** stands alone (*the coat is mine*).

Warm up: finish the second sentence with a possessive pronoun.

1. This is my book. The book is _____.
2. That is our tent. The tent is _____.
3. Those are their coats. The coats are _____.

Grown-ups: read the chart across with your child: "my bag… the bag is mine." Notice that *his* is the same both ways.

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2 Try it together a child and a grown-up, about 10 minutes



Whose is it?

You need: 6 to 8 everyday things that belong to different people at home (a shoe, a mug, a hat, a book, a toy), and a pencil.

1. Put all the things in a pile.
2. The grown-up holds one up and asks, **"Whose is this?"**
3. The child answers with *mine, yours, his, hers, ours* or *theirs*: *"It's hers." "It's mine!"*
4. Write the thing and the answer in the table. Then swap: the child asks.

Thing	Whose is it? Write a sentence.
the blue mug	*The blue mug is his. (example)*

Grown-ups: things the whole family shares can be *ours*; things that belong to two other people can be *theirs*. Point at someone in the room to practise *yours*.

3 Practise

A. Draw a line to match each word to its possessive pronoun.

my	his
your	mine
his	yours

her	theirs
our	hers
their	ours

Now write a sentence that uses one of the words on the right.

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B. Draw a ring round the right spelling in each pair.

hers her's	their's theirs	ours our's	your's yours

C. Fill each gap with a possessive pronoun.

1. Leo has a red kite. The red kite is _____.
2. Grace has a purple bag. The purple bag is _____.
3. Mia and I made a den. The den is _____.
4. Those coats belong to the twins. They are _____.
5. "Ava, is this your pencil?" "Yes, it's _____!"

D. Rewrite each sentence so it ends with a possessive pronoun.

This is my bike. _____

That is their house. _____

Is this your hat? _____

Challenge

Ava wrote: *"That scarf is her's, and this one is my."* Find two mistakes. Write it the right way.

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I can…

Tick when you can.

- [ ] use mine, yours, his, hers, ours and theirs
- [ ] spell them with no apostrophe
- [ ] use my before a noun and mine on its own