

Possession

Hello and welcome back, in this lesson we will be looking at possession of objects. How to say who owns what.



Subject Pronouns

The **subject** of a sentence is a person or thing that performs the action of the verb.

Subject pronouns are used to replace the subject (person or thing) of a verb.

We try not to use the subject twice: ***Julie is happy*** and ***Julie is rich***.

Saying Julie twice does not sound natural so we replace the second Julie with a **subject pronoun**.

Julie is happy and **she** is rich.



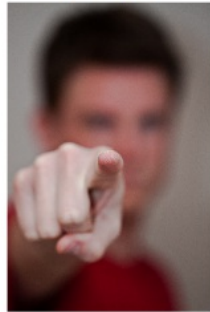
The subject pronouns:

The subjects can be split into different groups:

I



You



He



She



It



We



They



Possessive adjectives

‘Possessive adjectives’ modify the noun following it in order to show possession.

Subject Pronouns	I	you	he	she	it	we	you	they
Possessive Adjectives	my	your	his	her	its	our	your	their

The possessive adjective shows who owns the object and so needs to come before the object in the sentence:

Possessive adjective – Object(noun)– be verb – adverb – adjective.

Examples

My house is very small.



Our car is red.



Her phone is really big.



Their results are very good.



When the noun is plural we do not include an S to the adjective

Examples:

Our shoes are black.



Ours shoes are black.



If the noun is singular then the verb is singular.

If the noun is plural then the verb is plural.

Examples:

My dog **is** brown. (Singular)



Our cat **is** sleepy. (Singular)



My dogs **are** brown. (Plural)



Our cats **are** sleepy. (Plural)



Object pronouns

An **object pronoun**, functions as the object of a verb.

Object pronouns are used instead of object nouns, usually because we already know what the object is.

He is my cat. I always feed **him**.



I like this song, I listened to **it** yesterday.



Subject pronouns

I
you
he
she
it
we
you
they

Object pronouns

me
you
him
her
it
us
you
them

Examples:

He begged ***her*** to stay with ***him***.



He told ***them*** to leave.



Possessive Pronouns

A possessive pronoun is a part of speech that shows ownership to someone or something.
It substitutes a noun phrase and can prevent its repetition.

For example:

In the phrase, "these bikes are **mine**, not **yours**", the words "mine" and "yours" are possessive pronouns and stand for "**my bikes**" and "**your bikes**," respectively.

The words "**mine, yours, his, hers, its , ours, theirs**" are possessive pronouns.
They show who or what something belongs to.

Examples

This is our car. It's ours.



This is my phone. It's mine.



This is her son. It's hers.



"It's" is not a possessive pronoun or adjective.

It + is = It's

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Possessive Pronouns	mine	yours	his	hers	its	ours	yours	theirs

Recap table:

Subject Pronouns	Possessive Adjectives	Possessive Pronouns	Object Pronouns
I	my	mine	me
you	your	yours	you
he	his	his	him
she	her	hers	her
it	its	its	it
we	our	ours	us
you	your	yours	you
they	their	theirs	them