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Apostrophes

Apostrophes to mark plural possession.

Add apostrophes to the underlined words **where required**; think about singular or plural possession or contractions.

This is Jane s monster.

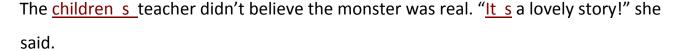
Jane and the monster go to each of her friend s houses.

At Emily s house, they played with her pet guinea pig.

Her mum made them some biscuit s.

At the <u>twin s h</u>ouse, they played football. The monster was interested in celebrating their <u>birthday s</u>.

The monster remembered all the <u>girl s name s</u>. The <u>girl s stroked it s head</u>.



Decide whether the nouns used in these sentences are plural or possessive. There are some that are both plural and possessive. Complete the key by colouring in the smiley faces in different colours to show which each sentence is.

Key: plural = ⊕ possessive = ⊕ plural and possessive = ⊕

- The pupils' teacher arranged a trip to the zoo. (for noun = pupil)
- © The lion's roar can travel 5 miles. (for noun = lion)
- © The monkeys were jumping and climbing. (for noun = monkey)
- © One monkey's tail was injured. (for noun = monkey)
- © The dinner ladies made the lunch. (for noun = lady)
- © The teacher's lunch was a disaster. (for noun = teacher)
- © The children's lunch was delicious. (for noun = children)
- © The bears didn't enjoy porridge. (for noun = bear)
- ☼ The zoo map's pictures were confusing. (for noun = map)
- © The foxes live next to the hippos. (for noun = fox)







Year 4 Answers

In some questions, alternative answers may be acceptable. The likeliest answers are given below. If questions have more than one answer, teachers should use their own judgement when marking.

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The <u>children's</u> teacher didn't believe the monster was real. "It's a lovely story!" she said.

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