

Apostrophes for possession and omission

<h2 style="color: purple;">Possession</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Use an apostrophe to form the possessive of singular and plural nouns. ■ Add an apostrophe and an -s to form the possessive of a singular noun. <p>Matt's coat was soaking wet after it had rained. The coat belongs to Matt.</p>	<h2 style="color: blue;">Apostrophes for omission (to show missing letters)</h2> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Insert an apostrophe to show a letter or letters, have been taken away.</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">It is too hot for me.</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">We have gone to town.</p>
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Now have a look at the following sentences. Decide where you need to put the apostrophe to show possession.

The lions road echoed around the valley.

Fourteen elephants ate all of the trees leaves in less than five minutes.

Captain Holbarts ship crashed over the ferocious ocean waves.

The ladys handbag was snatched by the two thieves.

Re-write these in your book, changing the underlined words for its contraction.

1. I am having school dinners today.

2. I do not want to play that game.

3. I will help you.

4. She did not like my cake.

5. There is not any butter left.

6. We cannot find it anywhere!

7. You should not go in there!

Can you think of any more words which use an apostrophe for omission?