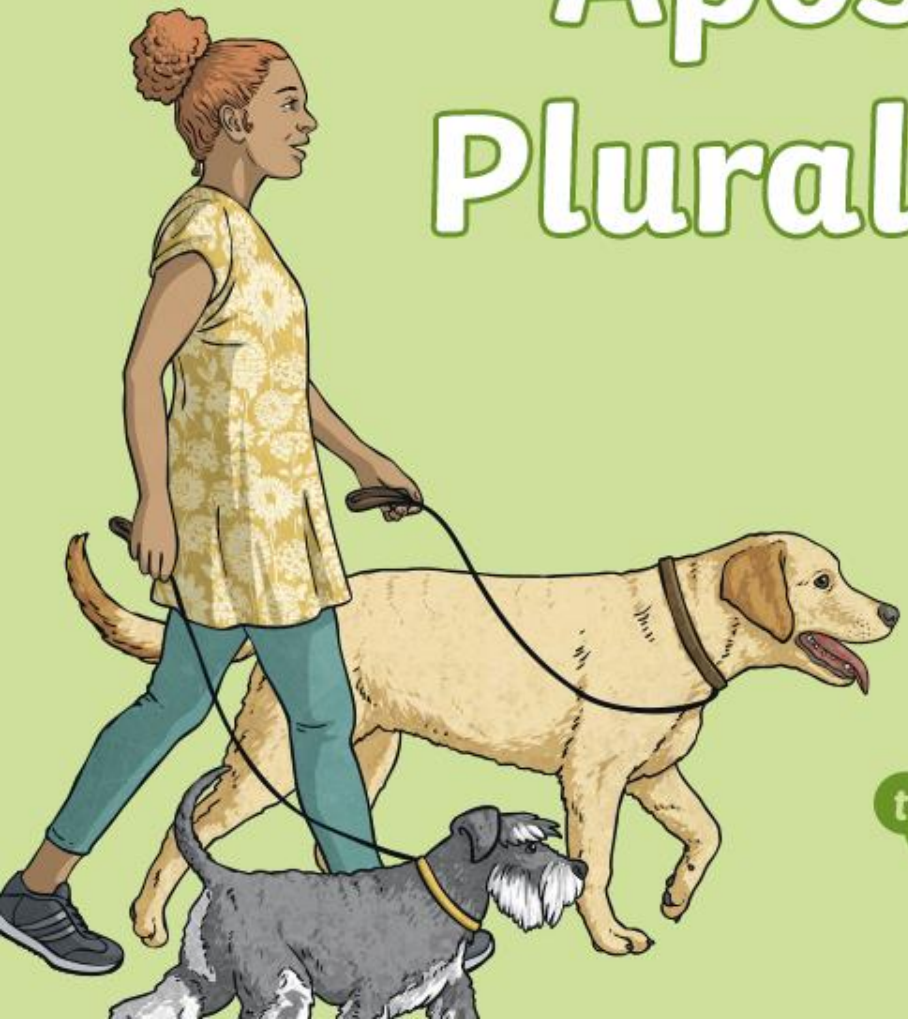
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Apostrophes for Plural Possession

Warm-Up



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What Is Plural Possession?

Apostrophes can be used to show that something belongs to someone or something. This is called **possession**. When we are talking about more than one thing, we call this **plural**.



The **dogs'** leads were too long.



The **children's** lunch was delayed.

If the noun is plural and ends with an s, we just attach the apostrophe to it without an additional s.

If the noun is plural and does not end with s, we add 's to the end.

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Plural Possession

Now it is your turn. Read the singular form of the noun, make the noun **plural** and then show where the apostrophe would need to be to show **plural possession**.

Singular	Plural	Plural Possession
kitten	kitten**s**	kittens’
actress	actress**es**	actresses’
baby	bab**ies**	babies’
knife	kni**ves**	knives’
child	child**ren**	children’**s**
volcano	volcano**es**	volcanoes’

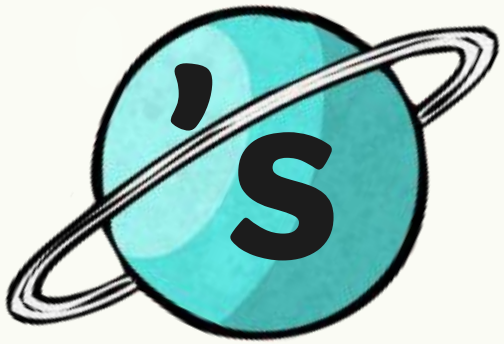


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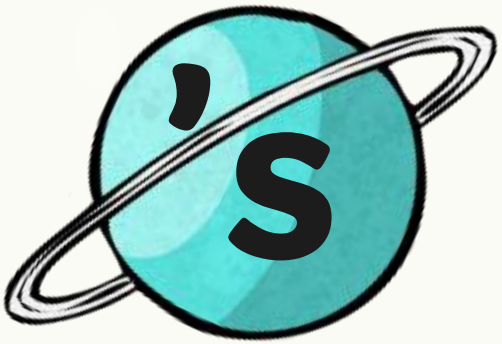
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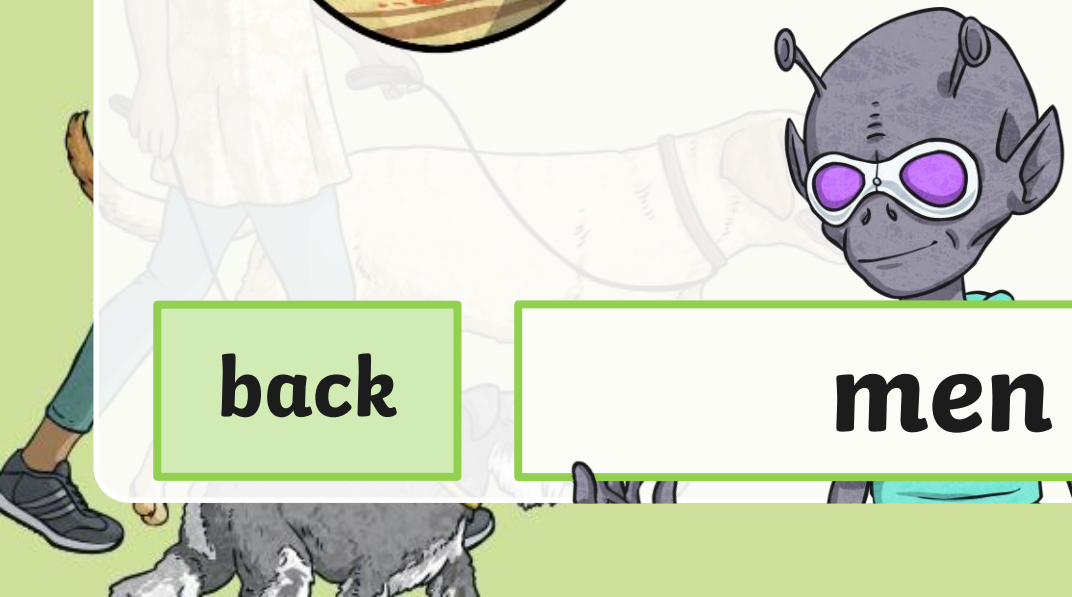
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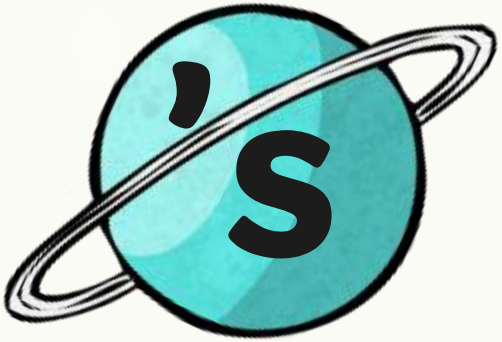
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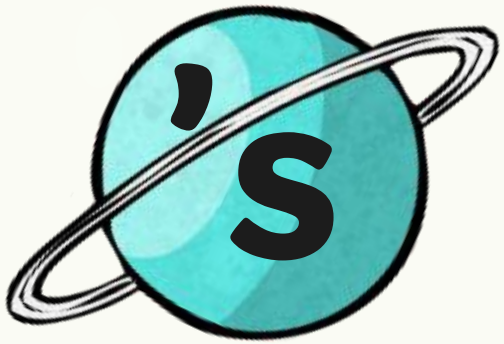
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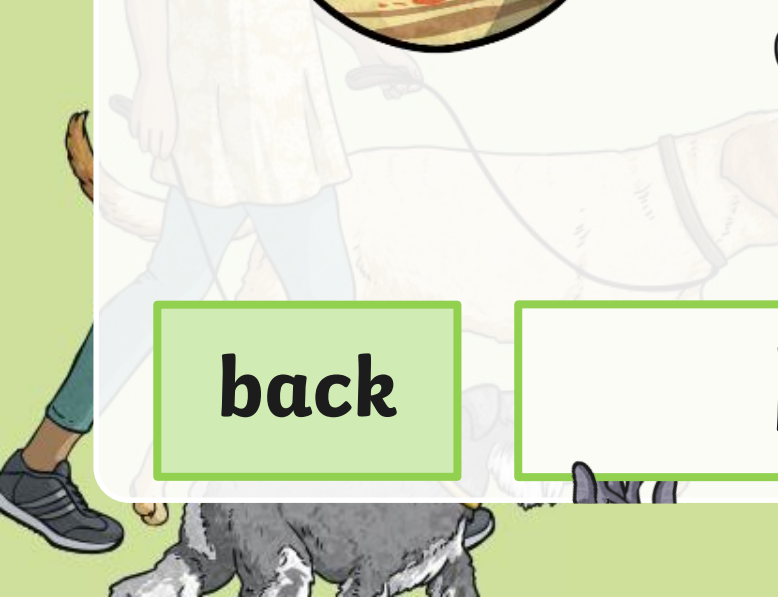
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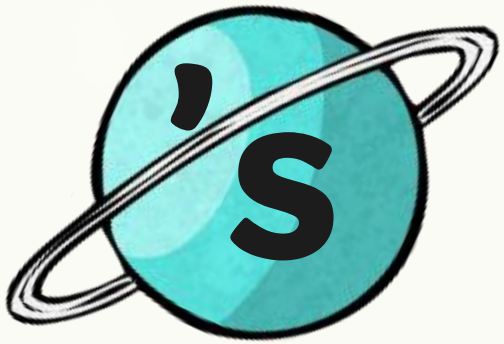
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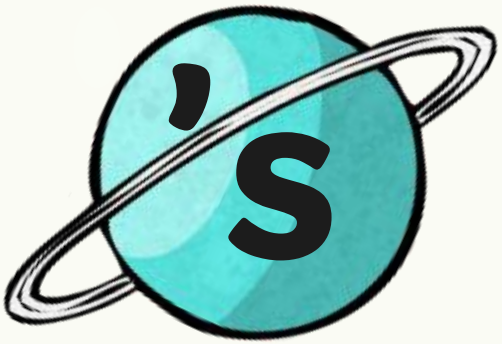
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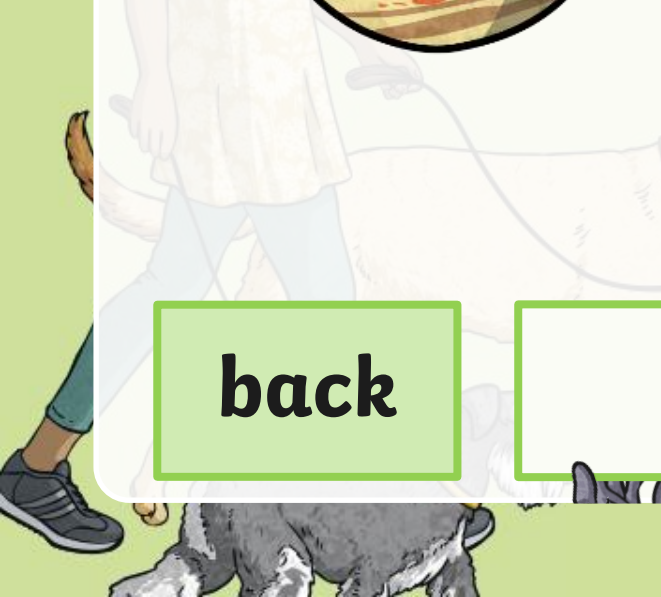
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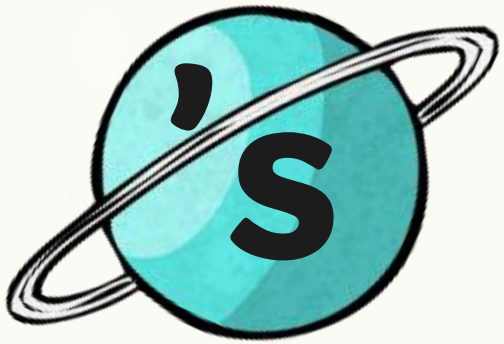
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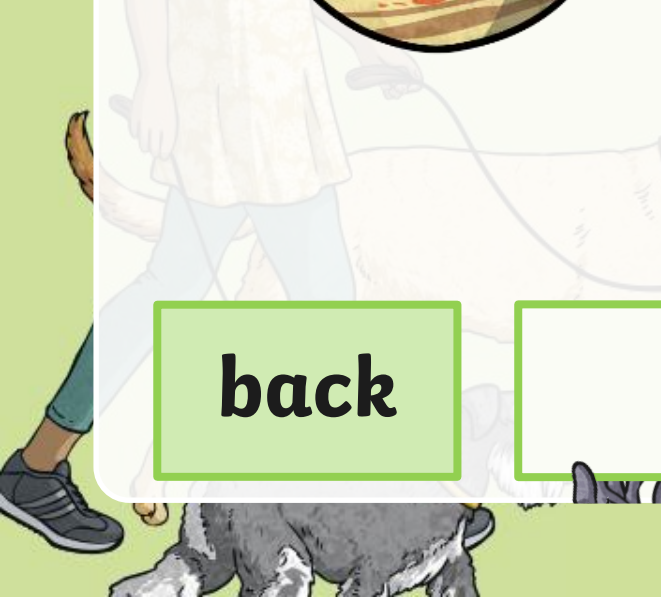
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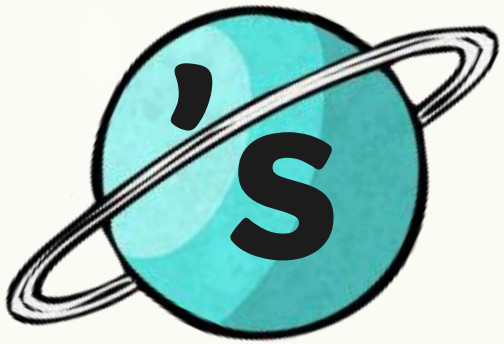
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Which Word Is Correct?

Read the sentences below and decide which word should go in the gap.
Which one accurately shows **plural possession**?

The **planets'** orbits all centre around the star.

planets / planet's / planets' / planets's

Some **lice's** eggs are difficult to remove.

lices / lice's / lices' / lices's

All of the **teeth's** cavities must be filled.

teeths / teeth's / teeths' / teeths's



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Plural Possession Quick Quiz

Take a quiz to see if you are an expert!

Which word should go in the gap to show plural possession?

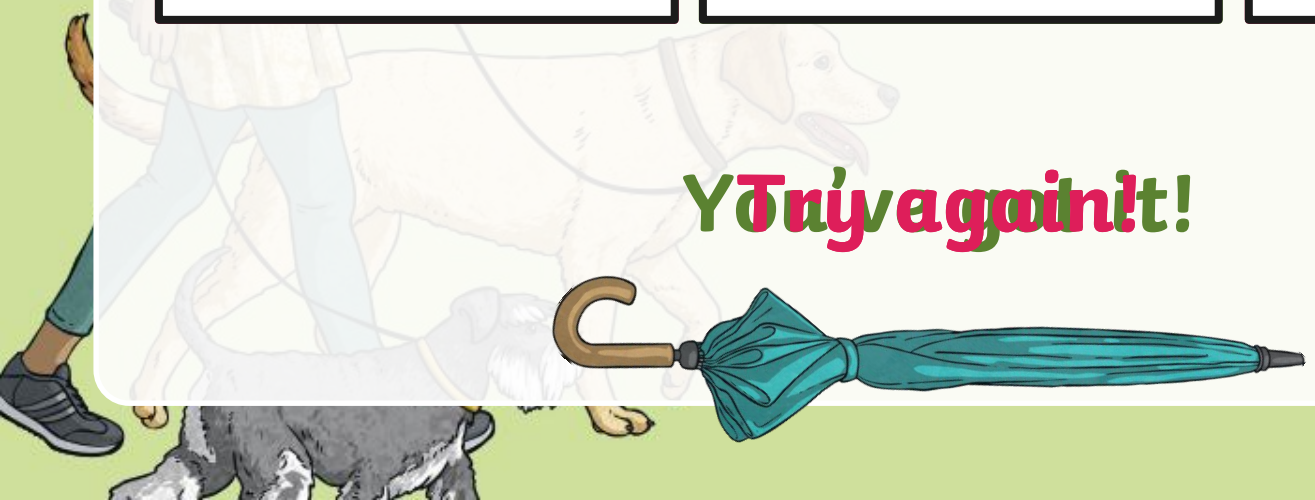
_____ handles are sometimes made from wood.

Umbrella's	Umbrellas'	Umbrellas's

You got it!

Try again!

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Which word should go in the gap to show plural possession?

The _____ wings shimmered in the moonlight.

fairies	**fairies's**	**fairies'**

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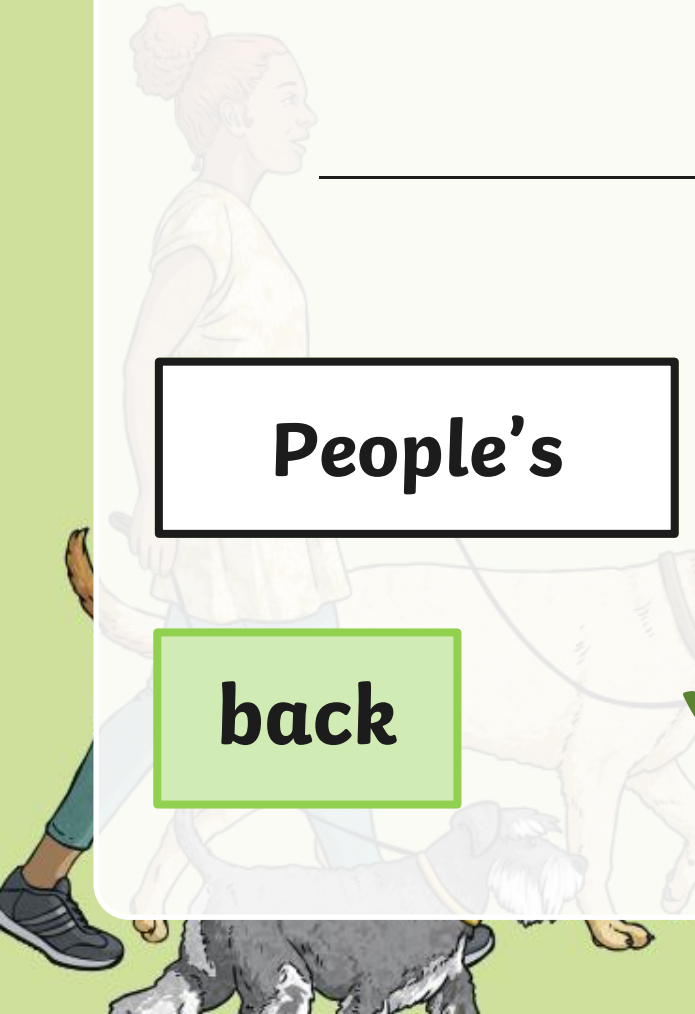
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_____ beliefs shape their way of thinking.

People's	Peoples's	Peoples'

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You've got it!

Try again!

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Which word should go in the gap to show plural possession?

The tiny _____ feet tapped across the floorboards.

mices	**mice's**	**mices'**

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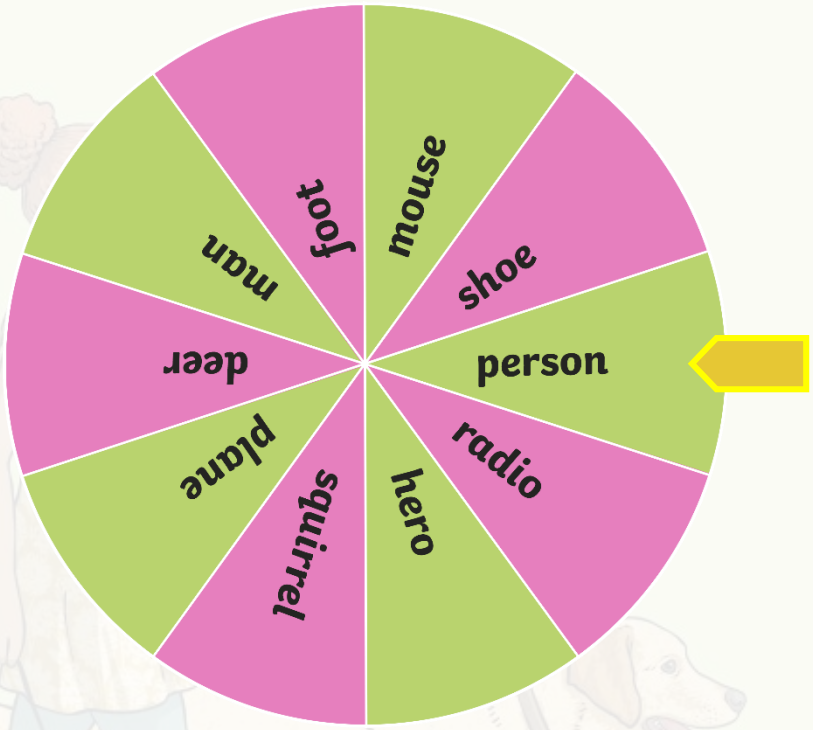
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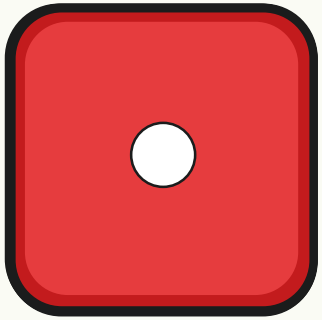
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Lucky Dip



Spin

Spin the wheel to choose a **singular noun**. Then roll the die. If the number is **even**, you only need to write the noun in its **plural form**. If the number is **odd**, you must write a sentence which shows **possession** by the plural noun.



Roll

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Which Word Is Correct?

Read the sentences below and decide on the plural which should go in the gap. Punctuate the word so that it accurately shows **plural possession**.



Astonishingly, the **boxes'** contents did not weigh much.

singular noun: box

plural noun: boxes

Most of the **cliffs'** faces were crumbling.



singular noun: cliff

plural noun: cliffs



The **animals'** footprints all lead towards the hut.

singular noun: animal

plural noun: animals

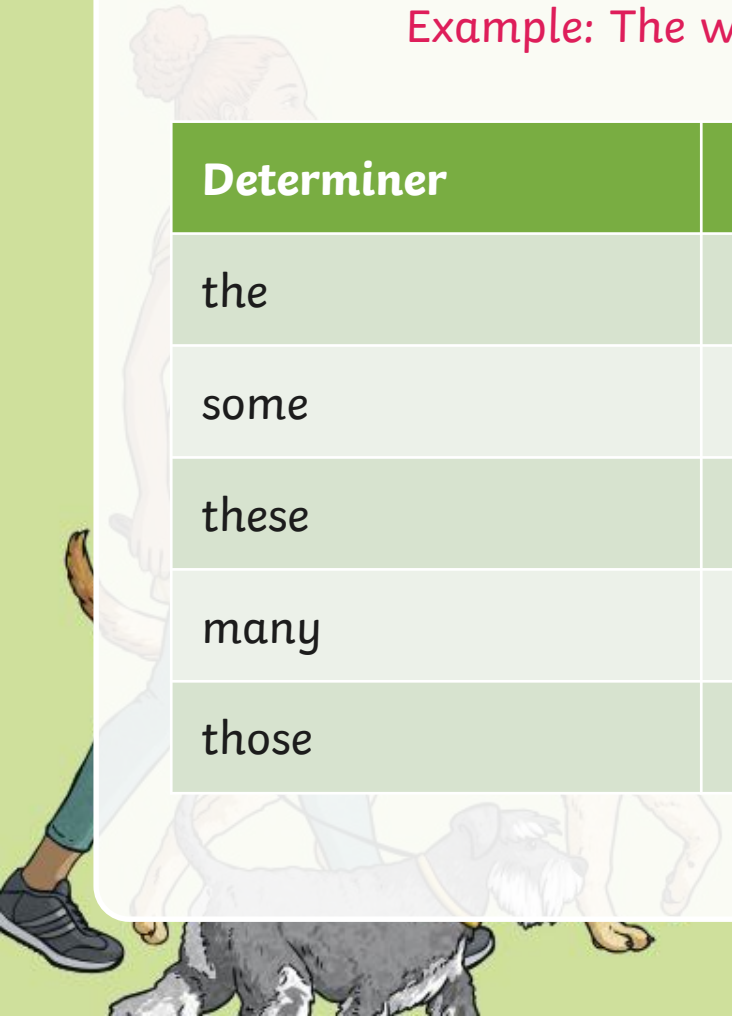
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Silly Sentences

Choose one word from each column to make the silliest sentences you can <u>which still make sense</u> and show plural possession.

Example: The witches' money is made of frogspawn!

Determiner	Plural Possession	Random
the	bosses'	smile
some	bushes'	money
these	witches'	days
many	people's	clean
those	women's	lantern



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Show Me with Sentences

Look at the picture below. Use the picture to write two sentences which correctly use an apostrophe to show **plural possession**.



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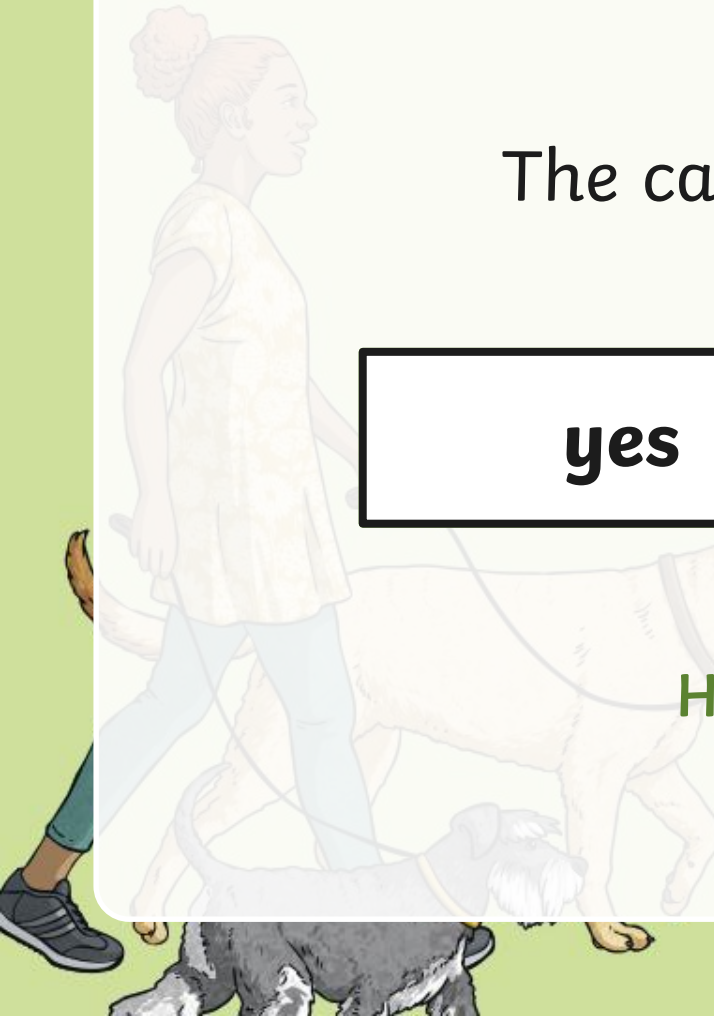
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Is this sentence correctly punctuated to show plural possession?

The cacti's spikes are sharp.

yes	no

How did you know?



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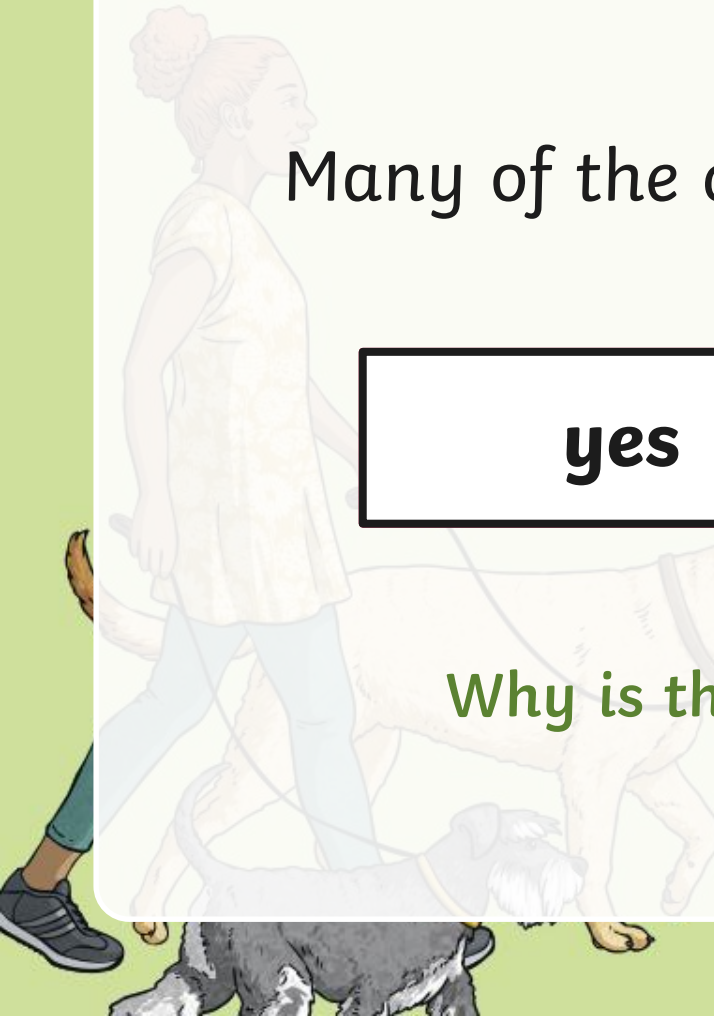
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Many of the childrens' toys were left out.

yes	no

Why is this incorrectly punctuated?



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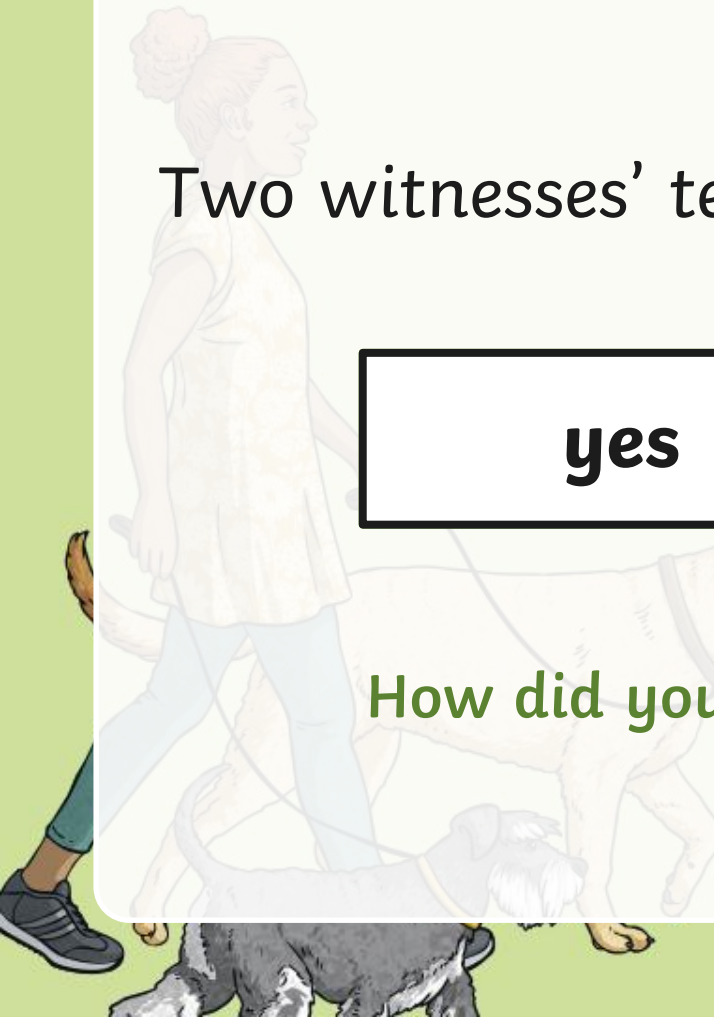
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Is this sentence correctly punctuated to show plural possession?

Two witnesses' testimonies stood out to the jury.

yes | **no**

How did you know that this was correct?



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Is this sentence correctly punctuated to show plural possession?

Witches' hats are usually pointed.

yes | **no**

How did you know that the apostrophe goes there?



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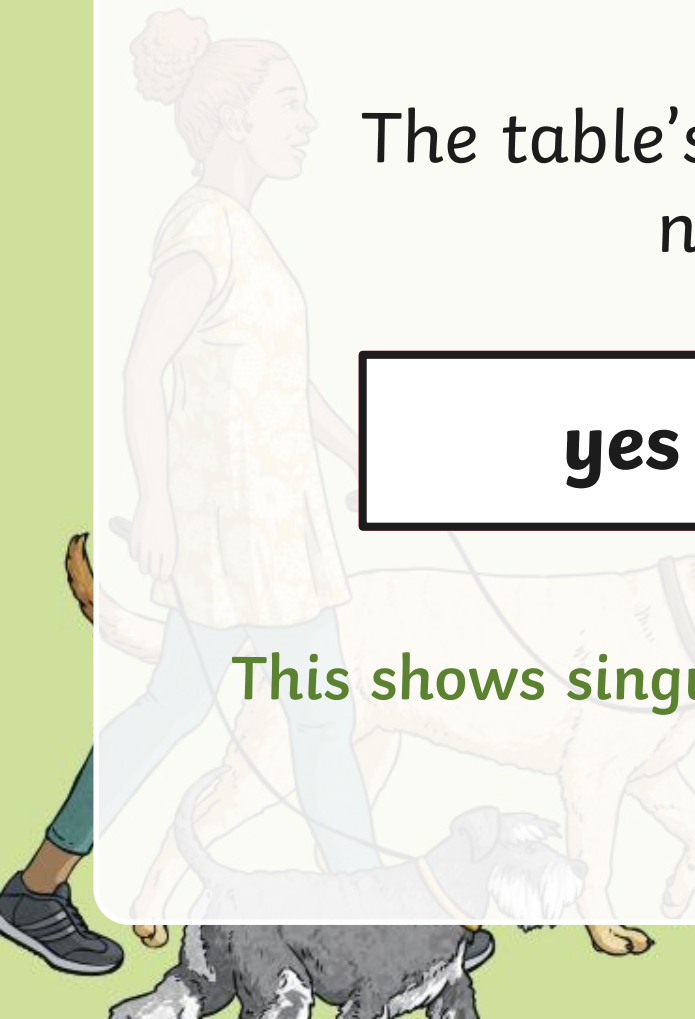
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The table's legs were all wobbly and needed to be fixed.

yes	no

This shows singular possession. How could it show plural possession?



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