



ANSWERS

1 Which sentence uses an **apostrophe** correctly?

Tick **one**.

☐ The childrens' coats were hung outside the classroom.

☐ The childrens coat's were hung outside the classroom.

☒ The children's coats were hung outside the classroom.

☐ The childrens' coat's were hung outside the classroom.

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1 mark

2 Circle the word that contains an **apostrophe** for **possession**.

I'll have to leave in ten minutes so there's enough
time to get to Daniel's house.

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1 mark

3 Write the **contracted form** of the underlined words in the box below.

Had I not been stuck in traffic, I would have been on time.

would've

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1 mark

4 Insert an **apostrophe** in the correct place in the sentence below.

The dogs' leads are hung up next to their collars.

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1 mark

- 5 Tick one box in each row to show whether the apostrophe is used for a **contracted form** or **possession**.

Jake's feeling unwell.

Apostrophe
for contracted
form



Apostrophe
for
possession

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Is this Katie's jacket?

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We could all go to Peter's house.

☐

We could've played outside if it was sunny.

☐☐

1 mark

- 6 Write the **contracted form** of the underlined words in the box below.

Jasper will not be able to go to the party.

won't

☐

1 mark

- 7 Explain how the position of the **apostrophe** changes the meaning of the second sentence.

1. My kite landed in the cow's field.

2. My kite landed in the cows' field.

Award 1 mark for a response that demonstrates understanding of the plural possessive apostrophe, e.g. • 1. One cow. 2. Two or more cows.

• In the second one, it shows plural possession.

• In the second sentence, it means that there is more than one cow.

Also accept responses that demonstrate understanding without referring to the second sentence, e.g. • In the first sentence, there is only one cow.

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1 mark

- 8 Circle the word that contains an **apostrophe** for **contraction**.

You're going to have beat Kara's high score if you want to win the game.

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1 mark



- 9 Tick one box in each row to show whether the apostrophe is used for a **contracted form** or **possession**.

| | The apostrophe shows that... | True | False | |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| The boys' PE kits are hanging in the changing room. | There is only one boy. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| Grace hasn't met her brothers' friends. | Grace only has one brother. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| The book's cover was covered in dust. | There is only one book. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1 mark |
| The tree's branches needed to be trimmed. | There is more than one tree. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |

- 10 Add the missing **apostrophes** to the following sentences.

Eliza's treehouses are the best in our street.

It's the biggest one out of them all.

She's so lucky to have toys like that.

- 11 Tick **all** the sentences which use are punctuated correctly.

- ☒ The dog chased its ball around the field.
☐ The dog chased it's ball around the field.
☒ I threw the dog's ball for him.
☐ I threw the dogs' ball for him.

12 Write the **contracted form** of the underlined words in the box below.

I have spoken to Sally and Liam and they are going
to America tomorrow.

I've

they're

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1 mark

13 Write the **contraction** for each of the words below.

The first one has been done for you.

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1 mark

cannot can't

shall not shan't

we are we're

14 Add the missing **apostrophes** to the sentences below.

Alfie's hobbies include playing cricket, reading books and running.

Betsy wasn't able to go to school today.

Charlie doesn't want to join the football team.

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1 mark

15 Tick one box in each row to show whether the underlined noun is **singular** or **plural**.

Singular

Plural

The customer's order was ready to be collected.

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The guests' invitations had all been sent.

☐☒

Those are the girl's belongings.

☒☐☐

1 mark

16 Write the **contracted form** of the underlined words in the box below.

Finley should have done his homework on time.

should've

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1 mark

17 Explain how the position of the **apostrophe** changes the meaning of the second sentence.

The clowns' jokes and tricks really made the children laugh.

The clown's jokes and tricks really made the children laugh.

Award 1 mark for a response that demonstrates understanding of the plural possessive apostrophe, e.g. • 1. Two or more clowns. 2. Only one clown.

• In the second one, it shows singular possession.

• In the second sentence, it means there is only one clown.

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1 mark

Also accept responses that demonstrate understanding without referring to the second sentence, e.g. • In the first sentence, there is more than one clown.

18 Circle the word that contains an **apostrophe** for **possession**.

Brendan wasn't happy with the basketball team's performance last week.

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1 mark

19 Which sentence is **punctuated** correctly? Tick **one**.

☒ The women's coffee morning is held on Tuesdays.

☐ The womens' coffee morning is held on Tuesdays.

☐ The womens coffee morning is held on Tuesdays.

☐ The women's coffee morning is held on Tuesday's.

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1 mark

20 Add the missing **apostrophes** to the following sentences.

Who's going on the school trip to Scotland?

I think it'll be really exciting.

We'll have a really good time.

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1 mark

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**Total
marks**