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Step 4: Plural and Possessive

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 4: (4G5.8) [Indicating possession by using the possessive apostrophe with plural nouns](#)

English Year 4: (4G5.8) [The grammatical difference between plural and possessive –s](#)

English Year 4: (4G5.8) [Apostrophes to mark plural possession \[for example, the girl's name, the girls' names\]](#)

Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Varied Fluency)

Developing Tick which sentences use possessive apostrophes correctly. Sentences use single possessive 's' or plural nouns.

Expected Tick which sentences uses possessive apostrophes correctly. Sentences use plural nouns, single possessive 's' or plural possessive 's'. Sentences contain some possessive pronouns.

Greater Depth Tick which sentences uses possessive apostrophes correctly. Sentences use plural nouns, single possessive 's' or plural possessive 's'. Sentences include some contractions and possessive pronouns.

Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Varied Fluency)

Developing Match the sentences to the correct box, using plural nouns or singular possessive 's'.

Expected Match the sentences to the correct box, using singular possessive 's', plural possessive 's' or plural nouns. Sentences use a wide range of plural nouns and possessions and include possessive pronouns.

Greater Depth Match the sentences to the correct box, singular possessive 's' or plural possessive 's'. Sentences use a wide range of plural nouns and possessions, including irregular plural nouns, possessive pronouns and some contractions.

Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Application and Reasoning)

Developing Correct sentences that have used plural nouns or singular possessive 's' incorrectly. Sentences use single possessive 's' or plural nouns.

Expected Correct sentences that have used plural nouns or singular and plural possessive 's' incorrectly. Sentences use a wide range of plurals and possessions and include possessive pronouns.

Greater Depth Correct sentences that have used plural nouns or singular and plural possessive 's' incorrectly. Sentences use a wide range of plurals and possessions, including irregular plural nouns, possessive pronouns and some contractions.

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1. Tick the sentences that use a possessive apostrophe correctly.

A. The pirate's treasure is buried in the sand.

B. The cat's meowed all night long.

C. My mums car is a race car.



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2. Match the sentences to the correct box.

A. The artist drew lots of pictures before he found one he was happy with.

plural noun

B. The wizard's spell did not go as he had planned.

singular possessive

C. Two dragons attacked the village.



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3. Gerald has written the sentences below. He has used plural nouns and possessive apostrophes incorrectly. Rewrite each sentence, correcting his mistakes.

A. The Titanic was one of three ship's built by the same company.

B. A laptops processor is the most important part of it.

C. The troll's came stamping and stomping down the mountain.



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4. Tick the sentences that use a possessive apostrophe correctly.

- A. The dogs' bones were all buried in the garden to make a game for them to play.
- B. Some monster's can actually be friendly towards human's.
- C. Our hamster's wheel is very noisy and wakes me up at night when he uses it.



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5. Match the sentences to the correct box.

A. The pupils' homework needs to be handed in on Monday.

plural noun

B. The dolphin's brain is the second most complex in the animal kingdom after ours.

singular possessive

C. We have many different computer games.

plural possessive



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6. Katie has written the sentences below. She has used plural nouns and possessive apostrophes incorrectly. Rewrite each sentence, correcting her mistakes.

- A. Lots of movies' fail to make their money back.
- B. The childs toys help her to learn lot's of new skills.
- C. A geoses' wings can grow to be 1.5m wide.



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7. Tick the sentences that use a possessive apostrophe correctly.

- A. The parrots' nests are built high in the tree canopy so that predators can't reach their eggs.
- B. "You lot can't keep a dragon as a pet! Its scale's will go everywhere."
- C. A towel's weight increases as we dry ourselves because it absorbs the water.



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8. Match the sentences to the correct box.

- A. The field mice's habitat couldn't be preserved due to the rise in industrial farming.
- B. The shelves hadn't been put up properly by the dwarves.
- C. It's my older brother's job to clean out our fish but he's too lazy to do it.

plural noun

singular possessive

plural possessive



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9. Regina has written the sentences below. She has used plural nouns, possessive pronouns and possessive apostrophes incorrectly. Rewrite each sentence, correcting her mistakes.

- A. The childrens' excitement was short lived as the bus had broken down and there wasn't going to be another one for hours.
- B. That stray cat isn't our's even though it's hanging around our house.
- C. Head lice spend their entire live's living on their hosts scalp and feeding off their blood.



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Developing

1. A
2. A) plural noun (pictures); B) singular possessive (wizard's spell); C) plural noun (dragons)
3. A) The Titanic was one of three ships built by the same company.
B) A laptop's processor is the most important part of it.
C) The trolls came stamping and stomping down the mountain.

Expected

4. A and C
5. A) plural possessive (pupils' homework); B) singular possessive (dolphin's brain);
C) plural noun (games)
6. A) Lots of movies fail to make their money back.
B) The child's toys help her to learn lots of new skills.
C) A goose's wings can grow to be 1.5m wide.

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7. A and C
8. A) plural possessive (field mice's habitat); B) plural noun (shelves, dwarves); C) singular possessive (older brother's job)
9. A) The children's excitement was short lived as the bus had broken down and there wasn't going to be another one for hours.
B) That stray cat isn't ours even though it's hanging around our house.
C) Head lice spend their entire lives living on their host's scalp and feeding off their blood.