

## Possessive Pronouns

### Introduction

1) A pronoun is a word that replaces a noun in a sentence, making the subject a person or a thing. Possessive pronouns are pronouns that demonstrate ownership.

*This car is **mine**.*

2) Possessive pronouns are used instead of a possessive adjective and noun. Study the following table:

Subject	Object	Possessive Adjective	Possessive Pronoun
<i>I</i>	<i>me</i>	<i>my</i>	<i>mine</i>
<i>you</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>your</i>	<i>yours</i>
<i>he</i>	<i>him</i>	<i>his</i>	<i>his</i>
<i>she</i>	<i>her</i>	<i>her</i>	<i>hers</i>
<i>it</i>	<i>it</i>	<i>its</i>	<i>its</i>
<i>we</i>	<i>us</i>	<i>our</i>	<i>ours</i>
<i>they</i>	<i>them</i>	<i>their</i>	<i>theirs</i>

Note that there is no apostrophe in possessive pronouns ending in -s.

*I don't remember buying these jeans. I think they are **yours**.*

Possessive pronouns stand on their own. They are not used with another noun.

*This is **her cat**. (possessive adjective + noun)*

*This cat is **hers**. (possessive pronoun)*

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We can use possessive pronouns after *of*.

*Jake is one of my friends. = Jake is **a friend of mine**.*

Possessive pronouns simplify constructions that show possession of a noun.

*This is your room and that is our room. → This is your room and that is **ours**.*

### Short Story Dialogue

- *This dress is not **yours**! Give it back, sis!*
- *What are you talking about? I bought it a week ago.*
- *No, it's **mine**! I've had it for ages! You're always taking my stuff.*
- *This dress isn't **yours**!*
- *No, it's **mine** and **mine** alone!*

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## Independent Practice

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- d. What's *my/mine* is *your/yours*, *my/mine* friend!
- e. Don't go through *my/mine* stuff. *Its/It's* disrespectful.

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