

Wednesday 18th November

WALT: review using apostrophes accurately.

Steps to Success

The apostrophe has two uses - **omission** and **possession**.

**Omission** When words are joined together, letters are sometimes missed out. This is called a **contraction**.

**Possession** Not all words ending in s need an apostrophe. They may be just plural nouns.

An apostrophe for possession shows something belongs to someone or something.

Singular nouns - 's      Dog's tail

Singular nouns ending in s - s's      Mrs Bates's

Plural nouns ending in s - s'      Ladies' toilet

Plural nouns not ending in s - 's      Children's playground.

# Apostrophes

omission

letter or letters are missing

I have - I've

possession

tail belongs to the dog

Dog's tail

An **apostrophe** ' is used to replace the missing letter or letters.

## Omission

When words are joined together, letters are sometimes missed out. This is called a **contraction**.

I am      I'm      →      apostrophe in place of missing letter **a**

I have      I've      →      apostrophe in place of missing letters **h** and **a**

you are      you're      →      apostrophe in place of missing letter **a**

does not      doesn't      →      apostrophe in place of missing letter **o**

Click on the link below and watch the lesson on Oak Academy. Complete the various activities on the video before moving through the next slide. It is a good opportunity to review your understanding of apostrophes as they are still being used incorrectly in your writing.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/to-understand-the-two-functions-of-apostrophes-68vk6t?activity=video&step=1>



Copy the sentences choosing the correct word (homophone) to complete each sentence.

I really hope *there/their/they're* coming to the party.

I think it is *your/you're* turn next.

*Were/we're/where/wear* are you going on holiday next week?

*Were/we're/where/wear* going on holiday next week.

Hey, *their/there/they're* cheating!

*Were/we're/wear/where* leaving before the party finishes.

What *were/we're/where/wear* you thinking?

This is *their/they're/there* new pet elephant.

I don't think *your/you're* helping.

Thank you for *your/you're* help.