



PUBLIC SCHOOL DARBHANGA

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CLASS-4

ENGLISH Nouns

– Possessive Case

Let's read the two sentences below.

Sentence 1: The book of the Ria is on the desk.

Sentence 2: The Ria's book is on the desk.

Which sentence sound better?

The first sentence is long and seems awkward to speak whereas second sentence short and straightforward. **We use possessive case to show possession (i.e. ownership or belongings).**

Rules for Possessive Nouns

1. In case singular nouns and plural nouns that do not end in “s”, possessive case is formed by adding apostrophe and “s” to the noun. **For example:**

Singular noun- Ayush's toy

Plural noun not ending in “s” – Women's jewellery

2. In case of plural ending in “s”, possessive case is formed by adding only apostrophe to the plural noun.

For example: Companies' employees

3. In case of hyphenated and compound noun, add apostrophe + s to the end of the words.

For example:

Sister-in-law's purse (hyphenated words)

The United Arab Emirates president's name (compound words)

4. When two or more nouns are used together, add the apostrophe + s to the last noun only.

For example: Anu and Tia's kit

Q) Write the possessive form of the following:

- a. the doll of the girl _____
- b. the tail of the cow _____
- c. the beak of the bird _____
- d. the mother of Ayush _____
- e. the teeth of the monster _____
- f. the car of my friend _____
- g. the bag of the visitor _____
- h. the house of the relative _____
- i. the purse of the lady _____
- j. the feet of the baby _____
- k. the laptop of the man _____
- l. the wings of the butterfly _____
- m. the den of the lion _____
- n. the servant of the king _____
- o. the bicycle of Romil _____

SELF – CHECK: girl's doll, cow's tail, bird's beak, Ayush's mother, monster's teeth, my friend's car, visitor's bag, relative's house, lady's purse, baby's feet, man's laptop, butterfly's wings, lion's den, king's servant, Romil's bicycle