



## Literacy Lesson 1: Apostrophes

**Apostrophes are used to show ownership or omission.  
They are NEVER used to indicate a plural.**

**A. As a class, think of as many words as you can that use apostrophes to show omission (when a letter is left out). You may wish to write these on the board...**

Examples:

Can't      Don't      Won't      Shan't      Couldn't      Isn't etc.

**B1. Apostrophes. Put apostrophes in the following 7 statements to indicate ownership.**

1. Look! There are Mr. Baker's Ferraris.
2. These are Miss Jukes' Jimmy Choos.
3. That cricket player's bat has broken...
4. These are Mrs. Jones' cakes.
5. Mr. Scarborough's lessons are always brilliant.
6. I was at James' house last night.
7. These are Mr Daley's Faberge eggs.

**B2. There is one exception to this rule.**

We do not use an apostrophe with **its** to show ownership; only omission.  
Example: The dog chewed its food noisily.

It's = It is

**That's all Folks!**