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## Possessive or Plural?

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*Plural noun:* Willow has four **balloons**.

A possessive noun shows belonging. Most possessive nouns end with an apostrophe and the letter s.

*Present tense:* Today is **Willow's** birthday.



**Write the plural or possessive form of the noun in parenthesis. Then, tell whether each noun is plural or possessive.**

1. Porter has a tank with four \_\_\_\_\_ in it. (turtle)

plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ mother made a spaghetti dinner. (Beth)

plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_

3. The \_\_\_\_\_ egg hatched. (eagle)

plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_

4. The airplane was three \_\_\_\_\_ late. (hour)

plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_

5. My \_\_\_\_\_ tire was flat. (bicycle)

plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Did you go to \_\_\_\_\_ house last night? (Evan)  
plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_
7. The puppies were wagging their \_\_\_\_\_. (tail)  
plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Jett said he would sell his toy wagon for ten \_\_\_\_\_. (dollar)  
plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Meredith helped mow her \_\_\_\_\_ lawn. (neighbor)  
plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Mrs. Bielski gave each of her \_\_\_\_\_ a new pencil. (student)  
plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_
11. The \_\_\_\_\_ anchor weighed fifty pounds. (boat)  
plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Tomorrow I will go to the \_\_\_\_\_ office for a checkup. (doctor)  
plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Kennedy drew \_\_\_\_\_ on the whiteboard. (polygon)  
plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_
14. The \_\_\_\_\_ trunk was four feet long. (elephant)  
plural or possessive? \_\_\_\_\_

## ANSWER KEY

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- Porter has a tank with four **turtles** in it. (turtle)  
plural or possessive? **plural**
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plural or possessive? **possessive**
- The **eagle's** egg hatched. (eagle)  
plural or possessive? **possessive**
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- My **bicycle's** tire was flat. (bicycle)  
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6. Did you go to **Evan's** house last night? (Evan)  
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