

Possessive pronouns



This is my yoghurt. This yoghurt is **mine.**

We use a possessive pronoun instead of a noun to indicate possession.

This file is Sophie's. This file is **hers.**

We use an apostrophe with a noun to indicate possession but never with a pronoun.

This is Sue's.

This is **hers.** ✓

This is her's. ✗

Personal pronoun

I
you
he
she
it
we
they

Possessive adjective

my
your
his
her
its
our
their

Possessive pronoun

mine
yours
his
hers
its
ours
theirs

Uses

Examples

To replace a name and a noun	It is Jeremy's computer. It is his. his = Jeremy's computer
To replace a possessive adjective and a noun	These are their books. These are theirs. theirs = their books
As a subject complement	The one on the left is mine and the other one is yours.
As a subject	Ours is the red car and theirs is the blue one. His is in the car park.



This is my dinner. Yours is in the microwave.



Tom has a problem with his laptop so he's using mine today.



Do you prefer ours or theirs?



