

Apostrophes in possessions

Proof:

(of)
Cat's bowl

Ex:

(of)
The cat's bowl is empty.

PRACTICE THE CONVERSATION:

- A:** Read me the sentence please.
- B:** *The cat's bowl is empty.*
- A:** Great. How did you spell *cat's*?
- B:** C-a-t-apostrophe-s.
- A:** Hmm. I don't think you needed an apostrophe there.
- B:** I'm pretty sure an apostrophe goes there.
- A:** Why? What are the two reasons you would ever use an apostrophe?
- B:** Contractions and possessions.
- A:** Yes! But wait . . . which one is this?
- B:** It's a possession.
- A:** I don't think it is.
- B:** It absolutely is!
- A:** Can you prove it?
- B:** *The cat's bowl . . . the bowl of the cat . . .*
- A:** It's empty, isn't it? Great job.

