



Possessive adjectives and possessive pronouns

Possessive adjectives

The possessive adjectives in English (also called ‘possessive determiners’) are: my, your, his, her, its, our and their. They say who something belongs to.

- I have a bag – this is my bag.
- You have a cat – that is your cat.
- He has a car – it is his car.
- She has a book – it is her book.
- The dog has a bed – it is its bed.
- We have a flat – it is our flat.
- They have a daughter – She is their daughter.

Possessive pronouns

Possessive pronouns also say who something belongs to, but they replace the noun. So, we use them alone. In this case, we don’t use ‘its’. In English, the possessive pronouns are mine, yours, his, hers, ours and theirs.

- I have a bag – this is mine.
- You have a cat – that cat is yours.
- He has a car – it is his.
- She has a book – it is hers.
- We have a flat – it is ours.
- They have a daughter – She is theirs.