

Enrichment Strategy: Categorize & Classify

“Sort It Out”

Possessive Nouns -- When & Where to Use an Apostrophe

This offline enrichment strategy helps students reinforce their understanding and mastery of possessive nouns and how to form them correctly. This activity is best completed after students have had a chance to play the online Featured Games for Possessive Nouns.

Goal: To help students know when to use 's (apostrophe first), s' (apostrophe last), s's (apostrophe in the middle), or nothing at all when forming possessive nouns.

What You'll Need:

- Printer & copier
- “Sort It Out” handout, one per student
- Pencils

What To Do:

1. Print template and make copies.
2. Distribute handouts to students.
3. Read the directions with students.
4. Have students complete the handout on their own.
5. For further practice, replace the words in the “Bank” with other examples.

Just In Case:

If students have difficulty with this activity...

- You can have the class complete it together as a group.
- It can be done at a center.
- A peer buddy can help struggling students.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Sort It Out - Possessive Nouns

Directions: Place each word in the "Bank" into its corresponding box below.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Singular</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Singular Possessive</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Plural</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Plural Possessive</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Contractions</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Bank</u></p> <p>gas dogs' theirs men</p> <p>man's birds classes its</p> <p>classes' doctor's aunts' your</p> <p>uncle's kiss princess' class's</p> <p>bus kid's boys there's</p> <p>you're iris it's girls'</p>