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# Possessive Nouns

**Animals on the Move**  
**Grammar:** Possessive Nouns

- A **singular possessive noun** shows ownership for one person, place, or thing. To show a singular possessive noun, add an apostrophe and -s to a singular noun.
- A **plural possessive noun** shows ownership for more than one person, place, or thing. When a plural noun ends in -s, add only an apostrophe after the -s (s'). When a plural noun does not end in -s, add an apostrophe and an -s ('s).

<b>Noun</b>	<b>Possessive Noun</b>
fur of the dog	dog's fur
dishes of the dogs	dogs' dishes
the club of women	the women's club

**Each underlined phrase can be written in a shorter way. Rewrite each sentence, adding plural possessive nouns.**

1. The constant eating of the hungry mice ruined the wheat crop.
2. The hunter woke up to the thunder of the hooves of the stampeding deer.
3. Depending on the strength of the oxen to pull the heavy load, the farmer filled his wagon with cotton bales.
4. The offspring of snow geese spend their first months on the Arctic tundra.
5. Migrating zebras aroused the interest of the children.