

1 These are the possessive pronouns:

I like your car. Mine is very old; yours looks very fast.



The red umbrella is hers.

Thanks for your address. Let me give you ours, too.

Note: There is no possessive form for 'it'.

'Yours' is both singular and plural.



This isn't my shirt, it's his.



'Which team won?' 'Theirs.'

2 You use the possessive pronoun to avoid repetition:

e.g. That book is my book. (= that book is mine)

That book is mine, and the pictures are mine, too.

The jazz records are hers, the rock records are his.

All the new furniture is ours.



'Excuse me, is this newspaper yours?'

3 You can use the possessive pronouns after of:

He was an old friend of mine (not: 'of me').

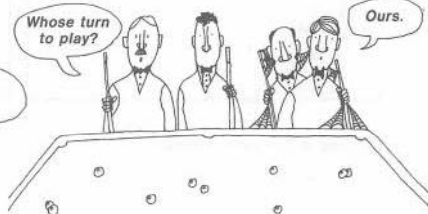
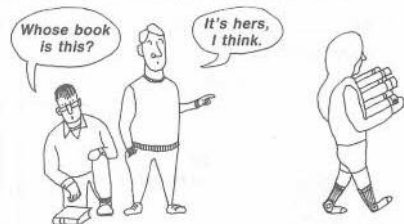
The teacher was talking to a student of his.

Listening to music is a hobby of ours.

Can I borrow that map of yours?

Are the Smiths friends of hers?

I think the dog is one of theirs.

4 You can use possessive pronouns in short answers after questions with whose ... ?

A Complete the sentences following the model:

e.g. Have you got a blue pen? No, mine is red. (red)

- 'Has David got a new car?' 'No, _____ (very old).'
- 'Did Sheila say she has a Japanese camera?' 'No _____ (German).'
- 'Is this your coffee?' 'No, _____ (over there).'
- 'Is your house bigger than this one?' 'No, _____ (smaller).'
- 'Do they have a colour TV?' 'No, _____ (black and white).'
- 'Will we have first class tickets?' 'No, _____ (second class).'

B Rewrite these sentences using a ... of ... to replace the underlined words following the model:

e.g. This is one of his paintings. This is a painting of his.

- Susan is one of our friends. _____
- The small man is one of our neighbours. _____
- Is singing one of your hobbies? _____
- Hamid is one of my students. _____
- Pink is one of her favourite colours. _____
- I am one of their fans. _____
- Roast beef is one of my favourite meals. _____

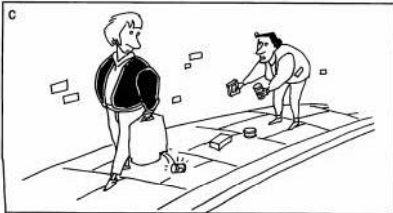
C Complete these sentences:



'Whose car is that?' 'It's _____.'



'Whose is this?' 'It's _____.'



'Excuse me, is this _____?'



'I haven't got a pen on me.'
'Here, you can borrow _____.'