

# 's (Kate's camera / my brother's car etc.)



Kate's camera  
(her camera)



my brother's car  
(his car)



the manager's office  
(his or her office)

We normally use **'s** for people:

- I stayed at **my sister's** house. (*not* the house of my sister)
- Have you met **Mr Black's** wife? (*not* the wife of Mr Black)
- Are you going to **James's** party?
- Paul is a **man's** name. Paula is a **woman's** name.

You can use **'s** without a noun after it:

- Sophie's hair is longer than **Kate's**. (= Kate's hair)
- 'Whose umbrella is this?' 'It's **my mother's**.' (= my mother's umbrella)
- 'Where were you last night?' 'I was at **Paul's**.' (= Paul's house)

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## friend's and friends'



my **friend's** house = *one friend*  
(= his house or her house)

We write **'s** after

**friend/student/mother** etc. (*singular*):

- my mother's car (*one mother*)
- my father's car (*one father*)



my **friends'** house = *two or more friends*  
(= their house)

We write **'** after

**friends/students/parents** etc. (*plural*):

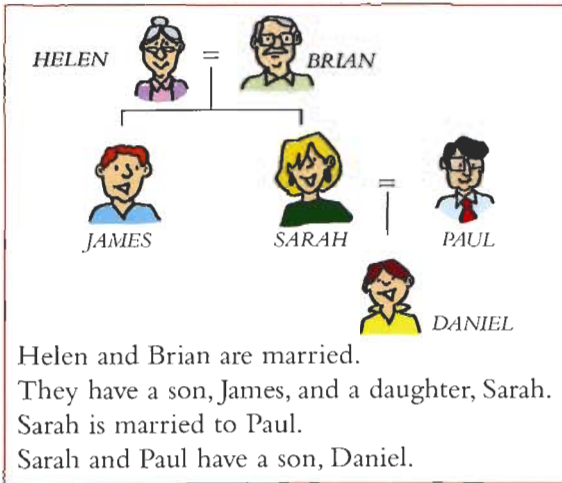
- my parents' car (*two parents*)

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We use **of ...** for things, places etc. :

- Look at the roof **of that building**. (*not* that building's roof)
- We didn't see the beginning **of the film**. (*not* the film's beginning)
- What's the name **of this village**?
- Do you know the cause **of the problem**?
- You can sit in the back **of the car**.
- Madrid is the capital **of Spain**.

### 64.1 Look at the family tree. Complete the sentences about the people in the family.



- 1 Brian is Helen's husband.
- 2 Sarah is Daniel's mother.
- 3 Helen is ..... wife.
- 4 James is Sarah's .....
- 5 James is ..... uncle.
- 6 Sarah is ..... wife.
- 7 Helen is Daniel's .....
- 8 Sarah is James's .....
- 9 Paul is ..... husband.
- 10 Paul is Daniel's .....
- 11 Daniel is ..... nephew.

### 64.2 Look at the pictures and answer the questions. Use one word only.



- 1 Whose is this? Alice's
- 2 Whose is this? .....
- 3 And this? .....
- 4 And these? .....
- 5 And this? .....
- 6 And these? .....

### 64.3 Are these sentences OK? Change them where necessary.

- 1 I stayed at the house of my sister. my sister's house
- 2 What is the name of this village? OK
- 3 Do you like the colour of this coat? .....
- 4 Do you know the phone number of Simon? .....
- 5 The job of my brother is very interesting. ....
- 6 Write your name at the top of the page. ....
- 7 For me, the morning is the best part of the day. ....
- 8 The favourite colour of Paula is blue. ....
- 9 When is the birthday of your mother? .....
- 10 The house of my parents isn't very big. ....
- 11 The walls of this house are very thin. ....
- 12 The car stopped at the end of the street. ....
- 13 Are you going to the party of Silvia next week? .....
- 14 The manager of the hotel is not here at the moment. ....