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Songs and Poems
(that show ownership)

Directions: Share each of the poems as a “poem of the day” and look for singular possessive nouns. Make a shared list to record the words and/or phrases (Daddy’s chair). Make another list to record contractions using ‘s (there’s: there is).
A Bad Hair Day
(Tune: Row, Row, Row Your Boat)

Johnny chews some gum in school.
He disobeys the rule!
Now there’s gum on Teacher’s chair,
and some in Johnny’s hair!
He chews, chews, chews his gum.
He pulls it with his thumb.
Now his gum is everywhere,
but most is in his hair!
This is Not a Bird’s Nest!

(Tune: The Itsy Bitsy Spider)

This is not a bird’s nest,  
as you can surely see!  
I think it is a crow’s nest,  
for pirates just like me!  
So if you want to be a guest  
here’s what I suggest:  
climbing up the tree trunk works the best!
I Gave My Dad Another Tie!
(Tune: Oh, Where Has My Little Dog Gone?)

It’s Father’s Day, oh, me, oh, my!
 Did I buy him another tie?
 Maybe I gave him a pizza pie
 and a slice of Grandma’s pie!
 I cannot ever tell a lie,
 I gave him another tie
 ‘cuz Mama says he’s a cutie pie
 when he’s wearing a brand new tie!
Snore No More!
(Tune: Mary Had a Little Lamb)

Have you heard my daddy’s snore?
I’m sure you’ll say it’s not a bore!
It sounds just like a lion’s roar,
a sound poor Mom cannot ignore!
“Snore! Snore! Please snore no more!”
is what she says from nine ‘til four.
I know my mom is hoping for
a silent night and no more snore!
Down on Grandpa’s Farm

Pitchforks and pigsties,
Grandma’s garden wins a prize!
Corntalks and hollyhocks,
and don’t forget the livestock!
Up at daylight, milk the cows.
Come on Grandpa, show me how!
Muck the pigpen now and then.
Turn around and do it again!
Can’t we take a little break,
and eat up Grandma’s coffeecake?
What? Sit around and watch things grow?
Nightfall’s comin’, don’t you know?
Close the henhouse, herd those cows!
Got to do what time allows!
Daddy’s Chair
(Tune: Home on the Range)

At the end of the day,
when my Daddy comes home,
Mom says to stay out of his hair.
He’s tired right now and he needs to relax.
So he sits in his chair over there.
He’s home, home, home in his chair
and doesn’t utter a word.
But soon he will smile and he’ll usually say,
“Let’s share some good time in my chair.”
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Practice Pages
Complete the sentences below. Some words may be used more than once.

Mom is my ___________wife.

My ___________wife is my aunt.

Grandma is my ___________mom.

My ___________brothers are my uncles.

My ___________father is my grandpa.

My ___________children are my cousins.

I am my ___________brother.
My Family Tree

Add names from your family tree to the picture below and then write sentences to show the relationships between the family members.
Whose is it?

Circle the nouns in each box. Write a phrase that shows ownership.

- the ties of the man
  - the man’s ties

- the tub of the dog

- the bear of the girl

- the ball of the cat

- the hotdog of the boy

- the bone of the dog

- the chair of my grandma

- the farm of my grandpa

- the bike of my brother

- the skates of my sister
Name that book!

Rewrite the books titles in possessive forms. One is done for you. Be sure to use capitals!

- the beaches of Hawaii
- the rides of Disneyland
- the life of Lincoln
- the rivers of Africa
- the names of boys
- birds of Ohio
- harbor of New York
- animals of Alaska
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- harbor of New York
- Animals of Alaska
- The rivers of Africa
- The life of Lincoln
- The names of boys
- Disneyland’s rides
- Disneyland’s Rides
Cloze the Gap!

Read the following sentences and fill in the gaps with words from the word bank below. Reread the finished sentences to see if they make sense!

1. We have to find my __________ teddy bear before he goes to bed.

2. My dad has to go to the __________ office for a checkup.

3. May I go to play at my __________ house after school?

4. Our baseball __________ score was better than yours.

5. Will you go and get the __________ bottle for me?

6. I think that my __________ cookies are yummy!

7. During the summer we go to my __________ farm.

8. Our __________ 4th of July parade is great!

9. That __________ burgers are the best in town!

10. Some of __________ animals can be dangerous!

Word Bank

Grandma's  Grandpa's  brother's  diner's  animals
dentist's  town's  friend's  baby's  team's
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Writing Activities
A Couple of Couplets

Choose a picture and write a rhyming couplet (two lines that rhyme).

Here’s how:

1. **Who is the person? What belongs to him or her?**
   Be sure to use an apostrophe to show ownership.
   
   This is a little boy’s teddy bear.

2. **Make a list of words that rhyme with the last word, bear.**

   chair, hair, where, care, there, share

3. **Write sentences that end with words from your list.**
   Pick your favorite to finish your rhyming couplet.

   He has lots of hugs and love to share.
   or
   He carries it with him everywhere.

This is a little boy’s teddy bear.
He carries it with him everywhere.
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Sorting Activity

Directions: Copy activity cards on cardstock and laminate for durability. Children look at the pictures and find and read the phrase that matches. Sort in a pocket chart or on the floor. Use this page to label an envelope for storing the activity.
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