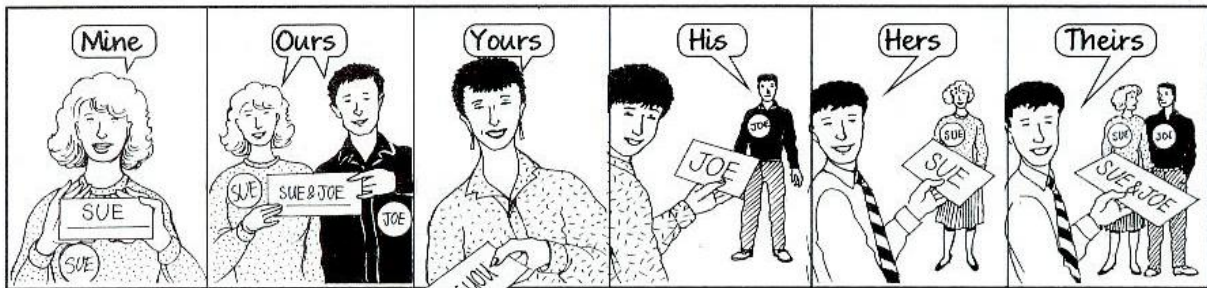


Whose is this? It's mine/yours/hers etc.

A



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|------|---|-------|---|--------|
| I | → | my | → | mine |
| we | → | our | → | ours |
| you | → | your | → | yours |
| he | → | his | → | his |
| she | → | her | → | hers |
| they | → | their | → | theirs |

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|------|-------|--------|------|---------|
| It's | my | money. | It's | mine. |
| It's | our | money. | It's | ours. |
| It's | your | money. | It's | yours. |
| It's | his | money. | It's | his. |
| It's | her | money. | It's | hers. |
| It's | their | money. | It's | theirs. |

B

We use **my/your etc.** + a noun (**my hands** / **your book** etc.):

- **My hands** are cold.
- Is this **your book**?
- Ann gave me **her umbrella**.
- It's **their problem**, not **our problem**.

We use **mine/yours etc.** without a noun:

- Is this book **mine** or **yours**? (= my book or your book)
- I didn't have an umbrella, so Ann gave me **hers**. (= her umbrella)
- It's their problem, not **ours**. (= not our problem)
- We went in our car and they went in **theirs**. (= their car)

You can use **his** with or without a noun:

- 'Is this **his camera** or **hers**?' 'It's **his**.'

C

a friend **of mine** / a friend **of his** / some friends **of yours** etc.

- I went out to meet a friend **of mine**. (not 'a friend of me')
- Tom was with a friend **of his**. (not 'a friend of him')
- Are those people friends **of yours**? (not 'friends of you')

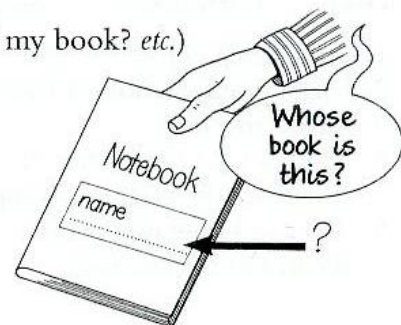
D

Whose ... ?

- **Whose book** is this? (= Is it your book? his book? my book? etc.)

You can use **whose** with or without a noun:

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| • Whose money is this? | } It's mine. |
| • Whose is this? | |
| • Whose shoes are these? | } They're John's. |
| • Whose are these? | |



EXERCISES

0.1 Finish the sentences with **mine/yours** etc.

- 1 It's your money. It's yours.
- 2 It's my bag. It's
- 3 It's our car. It's
- 4 They're her shoes. They're
- 5 It's their house. It's
- 6 They're your books. They're
- 7 They're my glasses. They're
- 8 It's his coat. It's

0.2 Choose the right word.

- 1 It's their/theirs problem, not our/ours. their and ours are right
- 2 This is a nice camera. Is it your/yours?
- 3 That's not my/mine umbrella. My/Mine is black.
- 4 Whose books are these? Your/Yours or my/mine?
- 5 Catherine is going out with her/hers friends this evening.
- 6 My/Mine room is bigger than her/hers.
- 7 They've got two children but I don't know their/theirs names.
- 8 Can we use your washing machine? Our/Ours is broken.

0.3 Finish these sentences. Use **friend(s) of mine/yours** etc.

- 1 I went to the cinema with a friend of mine.
- 2 They went on holiday with some friends of theirs.
- 3 She's going out with a friend
- 4 We had dinner with some
- 5 I played tennis with a
- 6 Tom is going to meet a
- 7 Do you know those people? Are they?

0.4 Look at the pictures. What are the people saying?

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| <p>1</p> <p>Whose car is this?</p> <p>It's theirs.</p> | <p>2</p> <p>..... is this?</p> <p>It's</p> |
| <p>3</p> <p>..... these?</p> <p>They</p> | <p>4</p> <p>..... ?</p> <p>.....</p> |
| <p>5</p> <p>..... ?</p> <p>.....</p> | <p>6</p> <p>..... ?</p> <p>.....</p> |