

Week 16 Vocabulary

- **spec-root**-to see
- **Haven-noun**-any place of shelter and safety
- **Brouhaha-noun**- an uproar about something insignificant
- **Proprietor –noun**- the owner of a business establishment, a hotel, etc.
- **Concede-verb**-to yield or back down
- **Husbandry-noun**-the care, cultivation, and breeding of crops and animals

spec

Examples:

- Speculate
- Spectacles
- Spectator
- Inspect
- Respect

Week 16 Sentences

- In the blizzard, many highway travelers searched for a **haven** from the freezing wind.
- My sister, the drama queen, made a huge **brouhaha** over her broken nail.
- The **proprietor** of this motel should be fined because the place is filthy.
- After John beat me at chess five times, I had to **concede** he was the better player.
- Because we engage in **husbandry** and produce our own food, we do not have huge grocery store bills.

Skill 11

Monday

1. That is Mike's car.
2. Can't you see he isn't sad?
3. You're right, Alex's clothes are nice.

What do you notice?

What do you think our skill of the week is this week?

Skill 11: Apostrophes

Rules:

- Use an apostrophe to show possession (when something belongs to you)
 - The exception to this is when “it” possesses something.
 - If the noun is singular, the apostrophe comes **BEFORE** the “s”. If the noun is already plural, the apostrophe has to come **AFTER** the “s”.
- Use an apostrophe to make a contraction.
 - **Contraction:** the joining together and shortening of two words. The apostrophe takes the place of one of the letters.

Skill 11: Apostrophes

Tuesday

I Do:

1. Cesar's and Larry's girlfriends will both be there.
2. All three of the dogs' water dishes were full.
3. The student's attitude wasn't good.

You Do:

Write three of your own sentences that follow all the apostrophe rules.

Skill 11: Apostrophes

Tuesday

Correctly add the apostrophes into the sentences so that they follow the apostrophe rules.

1. Its been a long time since its batteries have been changed.
2. Were all going to the store.
3. Lizzys mom wasnt happy when she came home late.

Skill 12

Wednesday

1. “It’s so cold out!” exclaimed Sally.
2. The dog is eating its food.
3. I’m happy it’s an easy day in class today.

What do you notice?

What do you think our skill of the week is this week?

Skill 12: its / it's

Rules:

- It's = contraction for it is
- Its = possessive, something belongs to it
- This is **BACKWARDS** from the typical apostrophe rule about possession.
 - For example, we would usually say the dog's dish or the chair's legs.
 - If we replace the name of the animal or object with the word "it", we don't need the apostrophe.
 - its dish and its legs

Skill 12: its / it's

Thursday

I Do:

1. The desk was messy; its surface was covered in papers.
2. “It’s too hard to wake up early,” lamented Mary.
3. The dog wagged its tail in excitement.

You Do:

Write three of your own sentences that follow all the rules for its or it's.

Skill 12: its / it's

Thursday

Choose the correct word so that the sentences follow the rules for its and it's.

1. The ship's hull cracked; (its/it's) weakness would be (its/it's) downfall.
2. (Its/It's) a great day to be an HGMS Hawk!
3. (Its/It's) is a contraction for it is.