

# One owner or many owners?



To show that something belongs to someone, we can use an **apostrophe** after the owner or owners and the letter 's'.

Remember: The 'tail' of the apostrophe 'points' to the owner(s).

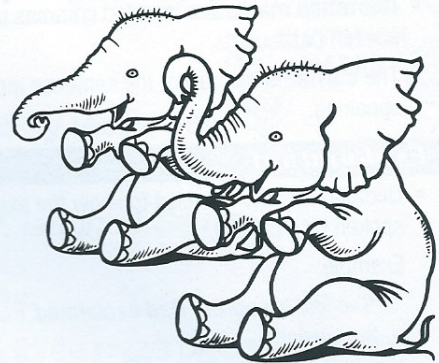
*the cat's bowl*



*the men's shoes*



*the elephants' feet*



When there is more than one owner and that word already ends in 's', then we only add an apostrophe (not another 's').

## 1. Read the text and circle the apostrophes showing ownership.

Lady with a pram: Excuse me, could you tell me how to get to the children's playground?

Man in the street: Sure. Go past the ducks' pond, turn right at the workers' car park, and you'll see it just opposite the women's shoe shop.

Lady with a pram: Thank you!

## 2. How many owners? Read each sentence and write **one** or **many** at the end.

(a) The football's stitching was coming loose. \_\_\_\_\_

(b) The women's uniforms were dry-cleaned. \_\_\_\_\_

(c) My twin brothers' party was good fun. \_\_\_\_\_

(d) The cats' whiskers were covered in milk. \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Put the apostrophe in the correct place.

(a) the dogs owner

(b) the boys rugby ball

(c) the ladies cars

