**Romeo and Juliet: Act 4**

**Year 5 and Year 6**

**Punctuation Exercise: Possessive Apostrophes**

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A possessive apostrophe is used to show that one thing belongs to or is connected to something.

Read the examples below:

### A great party was to be held that very evening at Lord Capulet’s Mansion

**Lord Capulet** is a singular noun so you need to add an apostrophe and "s" to show that the **mansion** belongs to **Lord Capulet.**

### The Capulets' swords were pulled out, ready to fight.

**Capulets** is a plural noun that ends in an "s" so you don't add another "s" after your apostrophe. You can just add an apostrophe to show the **swords** belonged to The **Capulets.**

### The people’s stalls were broken.

**People** is a plural noun but it doesn't end with an "s" so you need to add an apostrophe and "s" to show that the **stalls** belonged to the **people.**

### Paris’ mask was amazing.

**Paris** is a singular noun that ends in an "s", so you need to add an apostrophe to show that the **mask** belongs to **Paris.**

**Useful videos:**

[**https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvwwxnb/articles/zx9ydxs**](https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvwwxnb/articles/zx9ydxs)

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**Exercise 1: Rewrite each sentence, adding in the possessive apostrophe.**

1. Romeos mask was red, black and gold.

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1. The mornings fight was forgotten.

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1. Romeo and Benvolio walked into this amazing feast of Lord Capulets.

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1. Juliet must go or rouse the Nurses suspicion.

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1. “Did Romeos hand shed Tybalts blood?” gasped Juliet.

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1. The girl we see now in Friar Laurences cell is distraught with tears rolling down her pale cheeks.

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1. Leaving her daughter to sleep, Lady Capulet had immediately rushed down to the servants quarters.

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1. Juliets fear trickled through her veins.

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1. Amongst the weeping crowd was Romeos manservant and close friend, Balthasar.

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10.Romeos legs gave way beneath him on hearing that Juliet had died.

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11. For a moment, Romeos mind was full of happy images; Juliet at the Capulet party, burning brighter than torches, Juliet on the balcony shining like the sun.

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12. Romeos heart was beating loudly.

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