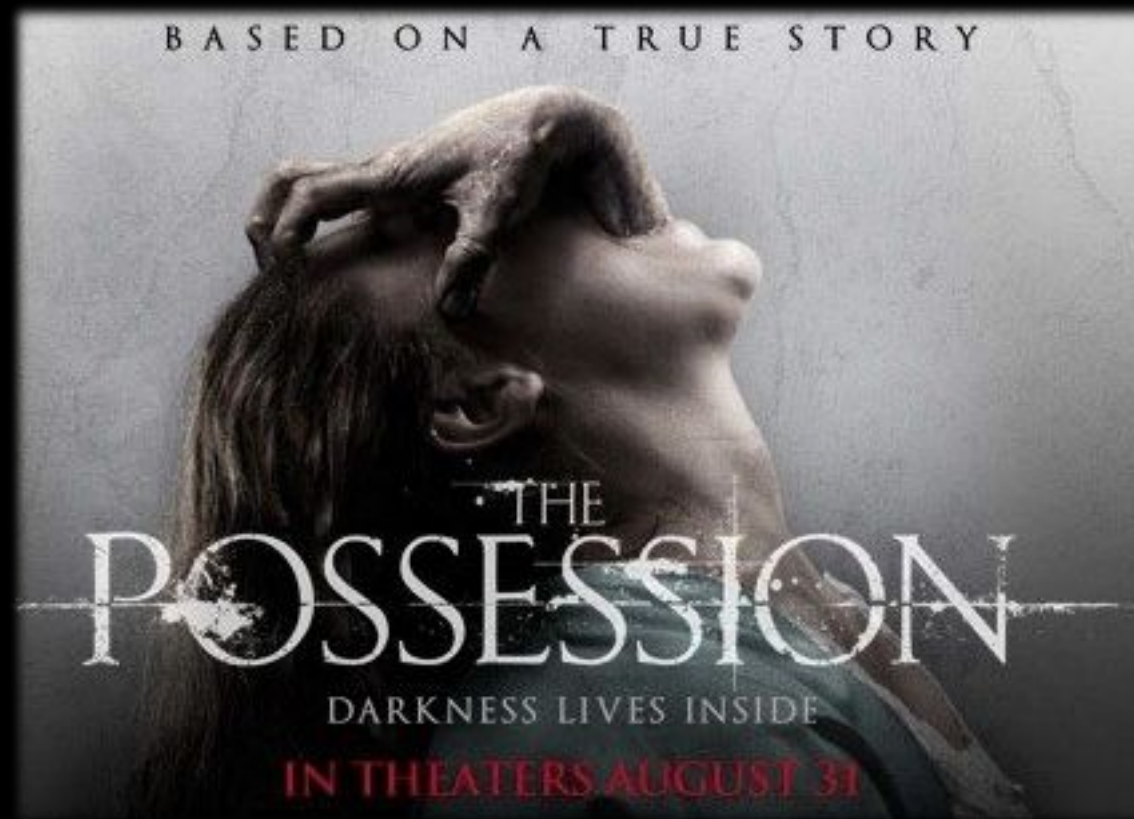


Possessive 'S



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1. We normally use -'s for people

- I stayed at my **sister's** house (not the house of my sister)
- Paul is a **man's** name. Paula is a **woman's** name.
- Are you going to **Jame's** party.



2. You can use -'s without a possession

- Whose umbrella is this? It's my mother's (=my mother's umbrella)
- Adele's music is better than Lady Gaga's (= Lady Gaga's music).



3. For words in plural, we just add 's

- I went to me friend's house and had a bit of tea. = one friend (= his/her one)



- I went to me friend's house and had a bit of tea.= two or more friends (= their house)



3a. For plurals without an -s, we add **'s**

The trial started 13 months after the men'**s** arrest.



People'**s** perceptions of those one days are so different

4. We use *of...* for things, places, etc.

- Look at the balcony *of* that old house.
- What is the name *of* this town?
- Madrid is the capital *of* Spain.

