

**JULIUS CAESAR: ACT 4  
YEAR 3 AND YEAR 4  
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:

1. **Mark Antony's** army were ready to fight.

**Mark Antony** is a singular noun so you need to add an apostrophe and "s" to show that the **army** belongs to **Mark Antony**.

2. The **soldiers'** swords were pulled out, ready to fight.

**Soldiers** 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 soldiers.

3. **People's** tongues were wagging.

**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 **tongues** belonged to the **people**.

1. **Brutus'** mouth couldn't utter the words.

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

Useful video:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvwwxnb/articles/zx9ydxs>

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