



**Vocabulary. The family**

uncle  
aunt  
brother  
sister  
cousin  
son  
daughter  
father  
mother  
parents  
nephew  
niece  
grandchild  
grandfather/mother  
grandparent(s)  
granddaughter/son  
great-grandchild  
husband  
wife  
ex-husband  
ex-wife  
in-laws  
son-in-law, etc.  
step-father, step-daughter, etc.  
half-brother, half-sister  
twin-sister/brother

**Possessive " 's "**

You place 's after the possessor, then the possessed object.

*Albert's house* (La casa de Albert)

*Diana's favourite books.* (Los libros favoritos de Diana)

You only add ' when nouns are plural or end in -s.

*The boys' room.*

*James' girlfriend.*

When the possessors are 2 or more people, you place 's after the second one.

*Tim and Bob's sisters.* (Tim and Bob are brothers)

Notice the difference: Tim's and Bob's sisters. (Tim and Bob both have sisters, but they are not brothers)

You use 's/ s' when the possessor is a person, animal, country, company or organization, and after certain time expressions.

*Suzanne's suitcase.*

*The dog's food.*

*Spain's biggest partner.*

*IBM's factory in Ireland.*

*Today's papers / 2 weeks' sick leave.*