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Possessive Nouns

Application

A. Using Possessive Nouns

Use a possessive noun to shorten each phrase. Then use the new phrase in a sentence.

EXAMPLE the barking of a dog the dog's barking
The dog's barking kept me awake all night.

1. the flight of the geese _____

2. the cries of the children _____

3. wool from the sheep _____

4. the cottage of the family _____

5. the sting of a wasp _____

6. the wings of butterflies _____

B. Using Possessives in Writing

Imagine that you recently spent an afternoon exploring a relative's attic. Write a letter to a cousin telling him or her about the interesting items you found. Mention some items and their original owners, such as grandparents, aunts, or uncles. Underline at least five possessive nouns in your letter.
