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APOSTROPHE WORKSHOP

EXERCISE

Add apostrophes where necessary or write in the blank the correct form of the word in parenthesis. Remember, position is important.

I put the _____ appointment book in the top drawer. (doctor) DOCTOR'S 1. 2. The _____ dressing room is down the hall. (women) WOMEN'S 3. The girls team generally performed well during the tournament. GIRLS' 4. I have completed my exercise. Have you done yours? CORRECT 5. Everyone likes Gladys new hair style. GLADY'S 6. The v s in that sign look like u s, don't you think? V'S & U'S 7. The many ya know s she uses in her language are very annoying. YA KNOW'S 8. The 1960s was an era of discontent and reform. 1960'S 9. The Smiths have bought a new car. CORRECT 10. Agnes story gets better every time she tells it. AGNES'S That mans watch is the most beautiful watch Ive ever seen. MAN'S & I'VE 11. 12. The wives have organized a support group. (students) STUDENTS' 13. My oldest sisters children all behave themselves very well. SISTER'S 14. Their roast cooked really well. Im not sure what happened to ours. I'M 15. That _____ hobby was collecting tiny spoons. (girl) GIRL'S 16. That ladys hats ranged from the outlandish to the downright ridiculous. LADY'S 17. The mens shoes sold between \$50 and \$75 a pair. MEN'S 18. The telephones didnt stop ringing. (secretaries) SECRETARIES' 19. Baking homemade goodies was my mothers specialty. MOTHER'S 20. The United States constitution guarantees us freedom of speech. UNITED STATES' 21. The Americas have joined a common trade agreement. CORRECT 22. My high schools alumni meet for regular reunions. HIGH SCHOOL'S 23. Our 82 Hondas engine still runs well. OUR'

- 24. Many young children reverse their b s and their d s. B'S & D'S
- 25. Did you see the children? _____ on their way home. (contraction of they are) THEY'RE

EXERCISE

Indicate the correct possessive form.

- 26. The (a. childrens, b. childrens', **c. children's**) toys were strewn all over their grandmother's floor.
- 27. Father asked, "(a. Whose, b. Who's, c. Whose's) bike is in the driveway?"
- 28. The (a. Johnson's, **b. Johnsons**', c. Johnsons) summer home was destroyed in the hurricane.
- 29. (a. lts, **b. lt's**, c. lts') a shame that the number called was not ours.
- 30. He kept his job but was docked two (a. weeks, b. week's, c. weeks') pay.
- 31. (A. Susan and Jana's, **b. Susan's and Jana's**, c. Susans and Janas) children attend the same preschool.
- 32. The (a. Martins, b. Martin's, c. Martins') are moving to Florida.