

2B GRAMMAR possessives

a Circle the correct form.

- 1 She's at the front of the queue / the queue's front.
- 2 I drove to **my parent's** / **my parents'** house. They live just outside Southampton.
- 3 What's **the name of the village** / **the village's name** where you were born?
- 4 What are **the childrens'** / **the children's** names?
- 5 I never buy meat at **the butcher's** / **the butchers'**. I get it at the supermarket.
- 6 We all had **our own** / **ours own** bedrooms when we were children.
- 7 I'll wait on **the street's corner** / **the corner of the street**.
- 8 Do you want to borrow this book **of mine** / **of me**?
- 9 That **chemists** / **chemist's** is open 24 hours a day.
- 10 I live in **the centre of London** / **London's centre**.
- 11 Are they friends **of you** / **of yours**?
- 12 I don't get on with **my brother's** / **my brothers'** wife.
- 13 My cousins have **their own** / **their owns** computers.
- 14 Where's **my** / **mine** phone gone?
- 15 He does all **her own** / **his own** cooking.
- 16 They go to **France's south** / **the south of France** every year.



b Complete the dialogues with the phrases you circled in a. Write the correct phrases in the column on the right.

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| 1 A Why doesn't he buy his own flat? | <u>his own</u> |
| B He wants to live in the south of France but he can't afford it. | _____ |
| 2 A I've got a headache. Is there a chemist's near here? | _____ |
| B Yes, there's one on the street's corner . | _____ |
| 3 A I spend half my life doing my own homework. | _____ |
| B You should tell them to do their own ! | _____ |
| 4 A I went to the centre of London for lunch yesterday. | _____ |
| B What's the name of the village where they live? | _____ |
| 5 A I really don't like my job. | _____ |
| B Neither do I. Maybe we should start our own business. | _____ |
| 6 A Have you finished shopping or are you still at the shop's ? | _____ |
| B I'm still waiting, but I'm nearly at the shop's . | _____ |
| 7 A Who are you going to the village's with next summer? | _____ |
| B With some friends of mine . | _____ |
| 8 A Has that car of mine broken down again? | _____ |
| B Yes, I'm borrowing his own this week. He doesn't need it. | _____ |

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c Cover the column on the right. Practise the dialogues in b with a partner.

SOLUTIONS OF GRAMMAR 2B

A)

2 my parents'

3 the name of the village

4 the children's

5 the butcher's

6 our own

7 the corner of the street

8 of mine

9 chemist's

10 the centre of London

11 of yours

12 my brother's

13 their own

14 my

15 his own

16 the south of France

B)

1 the centre of London

2 chemist's the corner of the street

3 the children's, their own

4 my parents', the name of the village

5 my, our own

6 the butcher's, the front of the queue

7 the south of France, of mine

8 of yours, my brother's