

Clue 3 - Apostrophes

Apostrophes are used within writing to show possession or omission. Read through the text below.

- Where an apostrophe should be used to show **possession**, highlight the letter before the apostrophe.
- For apostrophes showing **omission**, write in the missing letters

Once you have finished the letters will reveal the third clue in your hunt for the lost city of Midas.

Littered with uncollected belongings, the school cloakroom was a mess. From her position in the doorway Mrs Bartlett could see Harriets book bag, Joshs trainers, Ellies P.E. kit and Ralfs Easter project (a fully working model of a volcano). Those were just the items she was able to identify; numerous letters, bottles, coats and an old sock also hung precariously from the pegs.

"Lola please gather your things," instructed Mrs Bartlett. "Can you put Abduls letter in his tray at the same time as well?" Turning to her whole class she continued, "That cloakroom is chaotic; Im shocked at you all! Really, by Year 6 you should be capable of keeping it tidy. This classroom is awful too. I can see Megs maths book and Lucs calculator still out from this morning! I dont know why you have become so messy recently."

Leaping into action, the children started to tidy. Crawling under the table, Olivia picked up Justins ruler, Elliots cherry smelling pen, Avas new rabbit-shaped rubber and a small silver object. "Look!" she called to Mrs Bartlett triumphantly, "its Mr Fentons missing memory stick!"

Meanwhile, Jess was busy clearing the reading corner. She found whiteboard pens, rubbers and Charless missing topic book underneath the bean bags. Willows left plimsoll had somehow found its way amongst the fiction books, while Elijahs permission slip for afterschool football was being used as a bookmark. Casting a final eye over the area, Jess spotted Levis homework, which had been cunningly stashed behind the bookcase.

"Well Year 6," said Mrs Bartlett proudly, "it looks wonderful now!"

"What about your desk, Mrs Bartlett? That is the messiest thing in the room now!" Leo commented cheekily.

"Nonsense Leo, we all know I am the tidiest person ever!" Mrs Bartlett replied with a smile. "Surely you know by now that anything remotely untidy is Miss Laurents and Mrs Drakes mess!"