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Uses of short and long possessive adjectives



SHORT POSSESSIVE ADJECTIVES	
Use	Example
To indicate possession	<i>Tu casa es muy bonita.</i> [Your house is very beautiful.]
To indicate family relationship	<i>Estos son mis hermanos.</i> [These are my brothers.]
To indicate origin	<i>Las tradiciones de nuestro país son interesantes.</i> [The traditions of our country are interesting.]
To indicate who the creator is (a sculptor, author, film director, etc.)	<i>Su libro habla sobre educación y tecnología.</i> [Her book talks about education and technology.]
To talk about somebody or something unique or specific	<i>Este es mi esposo.</i> [This is my husband.]
To indicate that an element is characteristic of somebody or something	<i>Las bailarinas se ven muy lindas con sus trajes.</i> [The dancers look very beautiful with their costumes.]
To intensify a quality	<i>Hasta la gramática tiene sus momentos divertidos.</i> [Even grammar has its fun moments.]



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To emphasize who the owner is	<i>Esta es mi maleta y esa es la maleta tuya.</i> [This is my suitcase and that suitcase is yours.]
To contrast one possessor with another	<i>Me gusta más el plan nuestro que el plan tuyo.</i> [I like our plan better than your plan.]
To talk about somebody or something as part of a group (along with words like <i>un/una, dos, tres...</i> or <i>unos/unas</i>)	<i>Un primo mío es arquitecto.</i> [One of my cousins is an architect.]

