

## POSSESSIVE ADJECTIVES

Possessive adjectives express possession by a person (or animal). In the nominative sg. they have the following endings:

Person	Masculine	Feminine	Neutral	Plural
<i>Adam</i>	<i>Adam<u>ův</u> tatínek</i>	<i>Adam<u>ova</u> maminka</i>	<i>Adam<u>ovo</u> auto</i>	<i>Adam<u>ovi</u> kamarádi</i>
<i>Eva</i>	<i>Ev<u>in</u> tatínek</i>	<i>Ev<u>ina</u> maminka</i>	<i>Ev<u>ino</u> auto</i>	<i>Ev<u>ini</u> kamarádi</i>

Note that the endings of possessive adjectives have endings similar to those of nouns in the nominative sg:

- **masculine** - consonant: *Adamův, Evin*,
- **feminine** - ending -a: *Adamova, Evina,*
- **neutral** gender - ending -o: *Adamovo, Evino.*

Note: Some feminine nouns and names have softened vowels, for example: *maminka* > *maminčín*, *Lenka* > *Lenčín*, *Petra* > *Petřín*.

In written or formal spoken Czech we use endings in the nominative plural that distinguish the gender: *Adamovi studenti, Adamovy byty, Adamovy školy, Adamova kina, Evini studenti, Eviny byty, Eviny školy, Evina kina.*

### Declination of possessive adjectives

#### SINGULAR

	Masculine	Feminine	Neutral
nominative	<i>Adam<u>ův</u>, Evin</i> ( <i>student, byt</i> )	<i>Adam<u>ova</u>, Ev<u>ina</u></i> ( <i>škola</i> )	<i>Adam<u>ovo</u>, Ev<u>ino</u></i> ( <i>auto</i> )
genitive	<i>Adam<u>ova</u>, Ev<u>ina</u></i> ( <i>studenta, bytu</i> )	<i>Adam<u>ovy</u>, Ev<u>iny</u></i> ( <i>školy</i> )	<i>Adam<u>ova</u>, Ev<u>ina</u></i> ( <i>auta</i> )
dative	<i>Adam<u>ovu</u>, Ev<u>inu</u></i> ( <i>studentovi, bytu</i> )	<i>Adam<u>ově</u>, Ev<u>ině</u></i> ( <i>škole</i> )	<i>Adam<u>ovu</u>, Ev<u>inu</u></i> ( <i>autu</i> )
accusative	<i>Adam<u>ova</u>, Ev<u>ina</u></i> ( <i>studenta</i> ) – životný <i>Adam<u>ův</u>, Evin</i> ( <i>byt</i> ) – neživotný	<i>Adam<u>ovu</u>, Ev<u>inu</u></i> ( <i>školou</i> )	<i>Adam<u>ovo</u>, Ev<u>ino</u></i> ( <i>auto</i> )
vocative	<i>Adam<u>ův</u>, Evin</i> ( <i>studente, byte</i> )	<i>Adam<u>ova</u>, Ev<u>ina</u></i> ( <i>školo</i> )	<i>Adam<u>ovo</u>, Ev<u>ino</u></i> ( <i>auto</i> )
Locative	(o) <i>Adam<u>ovu</u>/-ě</i> (o) <i>Ev<u>inu</u>/-ě</i> ( <i>studentovi, bytu</i> )	(o) <i>Adam<u>ově</u>, Ev<u>ině</u></i> ( <i>škole</i> )	(o) <i>Adam<u>ovu</u>/-ě</i> (o) <i>Ev<u>inu</u>/-ě</i> ( <i>autu</i> )
instrumental	<i>Adam<u>ovým</u>, Ev<u>iným</u></i> ( <i>studentem, bytem</i> )	<i>Adam<u>ovou</u>, Ev<u>inou</u></i> ( <i>školou</i> )	<i>Adam<u>ovým</u>, Ev<u>iným</u></i> ( <i>autem</i> )

## PLURAL

	Masculine	Feminine	Neutral
nominative	<i>Adamovi, Evini</i> ( <i>studenti</i> ) -animate <i>Adamovy, Eviny</i> ( <i>byty</i> ) – inanimate	<i>Adamovy, Eviny</i> ( <i>školy</i> )	<i>Adamova, Evina</i> ( <i>auta</i> )
genitive	<i>Adamových, Eviných</i> ( <i>studentů, bytů, škol, aut</i> )		
dative	<i>Adamovým, Eviným</i> ( <i>studentům, bytům, školám, autům</i> )		
accusative	<i>Adamovy, Eviny</i> ( <i>studenty, byty</i> )	<i>Adamovy, Eviny</i> ( <i>školy</i> )	<i>Adamova, Evina</i> ( <i>auta</i> )
vocative	<i>Adamovi, Evini</i> ( <i>studenti, byty</i> )	<i>Adamovy, Eviny</i> ( <i>školy</i> )	<i>Adamova, Evina</i> ( <i>auto</i> )
Locative	(o) <i>Adamových, Eviných</i> ( <i>studentech, bytech, školách, autech</i> )		
instrumental	<i>Adamovými, Evinými</i> ( <i>studenty, byty, školami, auty</i> )		