APOSTROPHES — EXERCISE 5

Directions: Use an apostrophe (or APOSTROPHE + S) to simplify the long phrase in bold. Write the new version in the box above the phrase. Check your answers with the interactive version of the exercise.

1. The **hot pink high tops that Montgomery wore** drew everyone’s attention.

2. Try the **cookies that Phyllis baked**. They are the best ones!

3. You need to clean the **yard tools that you borrowed from Mr. Dickson**. He’s very picky about his possessions.

4. **The messy notebook that Marc brings to class** contains detailed notes from Dr. Grayson’s tedious lectures.
5. **The satisfaction that Kevin gets** with a C means a GPA without scholarship potential.

6. **Annistacia owns a big, powerful pit bull that** intimidates everyone who meets him.

7. **The vegetable garden that Gladys is always fertilizing** has tomatoes the size of softballs!

8. Read **the essay that Curtis wrote**. It’s so funny that you’ll snort your coffee!

9. **The teacher for that class** assigns twice as many essays as our teacher does.

10. Look at the grease stains! This paper must be **homework from Francis**. That boy is always eating cafeteria French fries!
11. We didn’t want to destroy the nests the birds had built, so we waited until winter to cut down the old oak tree.

12. The novels that Bliss never dusts fill the shelves of her many bookcases.

13. The wild plaid shirt that Carlos was wearing made Sara dizzy.

14. When we bought the used car from an old woman, we didn’t expect to find rap music in the CD drive.

15. Hurry up and finish! You don’t want to experience the anger of our boss.

16. The cats that the neighbors adopted leave a trail of paw prints all over the hoods of our cars.
17. You must pay back **the money that Dad lent you** if you want to avoid all the weekend chores that he will assign.

18. Every morning at 3 a.m., **the sprinkler system that the Weavers have** waters the yard illegally.

19. We shrieked with delight at the old photos in **the high school yearbook that Mom found**.

20. **The impressive music collection that Warren has amassed** is mostly illegal downloads from the Internet.