

SCENE 49 • GRAMMAR

Van wie is het?

Whose things and missing things

6 Exercises • Duration: 20 min.

Staying

Dutch

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Whose things and missing things

Ask **van wie is het?** and answer **van mij, van Emma, van hem.**

Possessives also work: **mijn sleutel, zijn mondstuk.** They refer to the owner. Use **die** with a **de** noun, **dat** with a **het** noun.

For a separable verb put **ge-** inside the participle: **meenemen** → **meegenomen**, **terugkomen** → **teruggekomen**. Some inseparable verbs have no **ge-**: **verdwijnen** → **verdwenen**. A change uses **zijn**: **de sleutel is verdwenen**. **Ik ben hem kwijt** says you cannot find it now.

Form	Example	Meaning
wie	Van wie is de sleutel?	Whose is the key?
mij	De sleutel is van mij.	The key is mine.
zijn	Dat is zijn mondstuk.	That is his mouthpiece.
is	Mijn sleutel is verdwenen.	My key has gone missing.
meegenomen	Max heeft de sleutel meegenomen.	Max took the key.
teruggekomen	Joost is teruggekomen.	Joost came back.
verdwenen	De sleutel is verdwenen.	The key has disappeared.
kwijt	Ik ben hem kwijt.	I have lost it.

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Whose is the key?

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GRAMMAR**G1) NOTICE THE USEFUL PATTERN**

Underline the form practised in this unit.

- 1 Van wie is de sleutel?

Meaning: Whose is the key?

- 2 De sleutel is van mij.

Meaning: The key is mine.

- 3 Dat is zijn mondstuk.

Meaning: That is his mouthpiece.

- 4 Mijn sleutel is verdwenen.

Meaning: My key has gone missing.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Use the English meaning and the pattern in this unit.

1 Van _____ is de sleutel?

- ☐ A wat
- ☐ B wie
- ☐ C waar

Meaning: Whose is the key?

2 De sleutel is van _____.

- ☐ A ik
- ☐ B mijn
- ☐ C mij

Meaning: The key is mine.

3 Dat is _____ mondstuk.

- ☐ A hij
- ☐ B zijn
- ☐ C hem

Meaning: That is his mouthpiece.

4 Mijn sleutel _____ verdwenen.

- ☐ A heeft
- ☐ B is
- ☐ C heb

Meaning: My key has gone missing.

5 Max heeft de sleutel _____.

- ☐ A gemeenomen
- ☐ B meenemen
- ☐ C meegenomen

Meaning: Max took the key.

6 Joost is _____.

- ☐ A teruggekomen
- ☐ B terugkomen
- ☐ C geterugkomen

Meaning: Joost came back.

7 De sleutel is _____.

- ☐ A verdwijnen
- ☐ B geverdwenen
- ☐ C verdwenen

Meaning: The key has disappeared.

8 Ik ben hem _____.

- ☐ A kwijten
- ☐ B kwijte
- ☐ C kwijt

Meaning: I have lost it.

G3) COMPLETE THE MESSAGES

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

zijn hij

Dat is _____ mondstuk.

Meaning: That is his mouthpiece.

is heeft

Mijn sleutel _____ verdwenen.

Meaning: My key has gone missing.

meegenomen gemeenomen

Max heeft de sleutel _____.

Meaning: Max took the key.

teruggekomen geterugkomen

Joost is _____.

Meaning: Joost came back.

verdwenen geverdwenen

De sleutel is _____.

Meaning: The key has disappeared.

kwijt kwijte

Ik ben hem _____.

Meaning: I have lost it.

G4) BUILD A SENTENCE

Put the words in order.

1 sleutel? de Van is wie

Meaning: Whose is the key?

2 is De sleutel mij. van

Meaning: The key is mine.

3 Dat zijn is mondstuk.

Meaning: That is his mouthpiece.

4 is Mijn verdwenen. sleutel

Meaning: My key has gone missing.

5 sleutel meegenomen. de Max heeft

Meaning: Max took the key.

6 Joost is teruggekomen.

Meaning: Joost came back.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 Whose is the key? You say:

- ☐ A Van wie is de sleutel?
- ☐ B Van wat is de sleutel?

2 The key is mine. You say:

- ☐ A De sleutel is van ik.
- ☐ B De sleutel is van mij.

3 That is his mouthpiece. You say:

- ☐ A Dat is hij mondstuk.
- ☐ B Dat is zijn mondstuk.

4 My key has gone missing. You say:

- ☐ A Mijn sleutel is verdwenen.
- ☐ B Mijn sleutel heeft verdwenen.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

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| ☐ 1 Max heeft de sleutel meegenomen. | ☐ A Joost came back. |
| ☐ 2 Van wie is de sleutel? | ☐ B The key has disappeared. |
| ☐ 3 Joost is teruggekomen. | ☐ C I have lost it. |
| ☐ 4 Ik ben hem kwijt. | ☐ D Whose is the key? |
| ☐ 5 De sleutel is van mij. | ☐ E The key is mine. |
| ☐ 6 Mijn sleutel is verdwenen. | ☐ F Max took the key. |

7 De sleutel is
verdwenen.

G My key has gone missing.

8 Dat is zijn
mondstuk.

H That is his mouthpiece.