

Pronouns

4 Types of Pronouns

Function:

The Pronoun takes the place of a Noun.

The pronoun performs a similar function to the noun.

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We use pronouns to avoid repetition.

Examples:

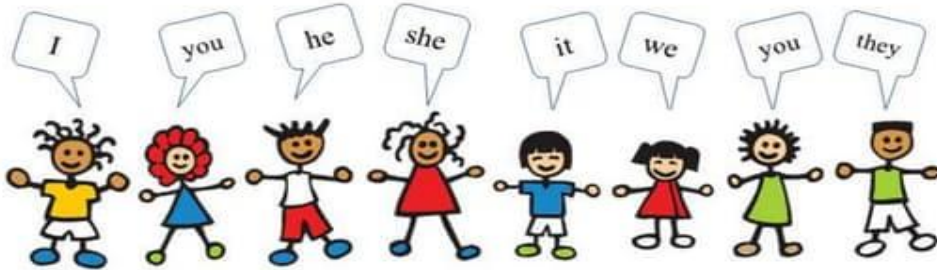
- **John** plays **cricket**. **He** practises **it** daily.
- In the sentence, **he** stands in place of **John** and **it** stands in place of **cricket**.
- Pronouns will change depending on their usage either as a subject or an object.
- **She** (subject) motivated **him** (object) before the cricket match.

Person	Personal Pronouns		Possessive Pronouns	Possessive Adjectives
	Subject	Object		

Singular				
1 st person	I	me	mine	my
2 nd person	you	you	yours	your
3 rd person (m)	he	him	his	his
3 rd person (f)	she	her	hers	her
3 rd person (n)	it	it		its
Plural				
1 st person	we	us	ours	our
2 nd person	you	you	yours	your
3 rd person	they	them	theirs	their

NOTE: Possessive adjectives are **NOT** pronouns.

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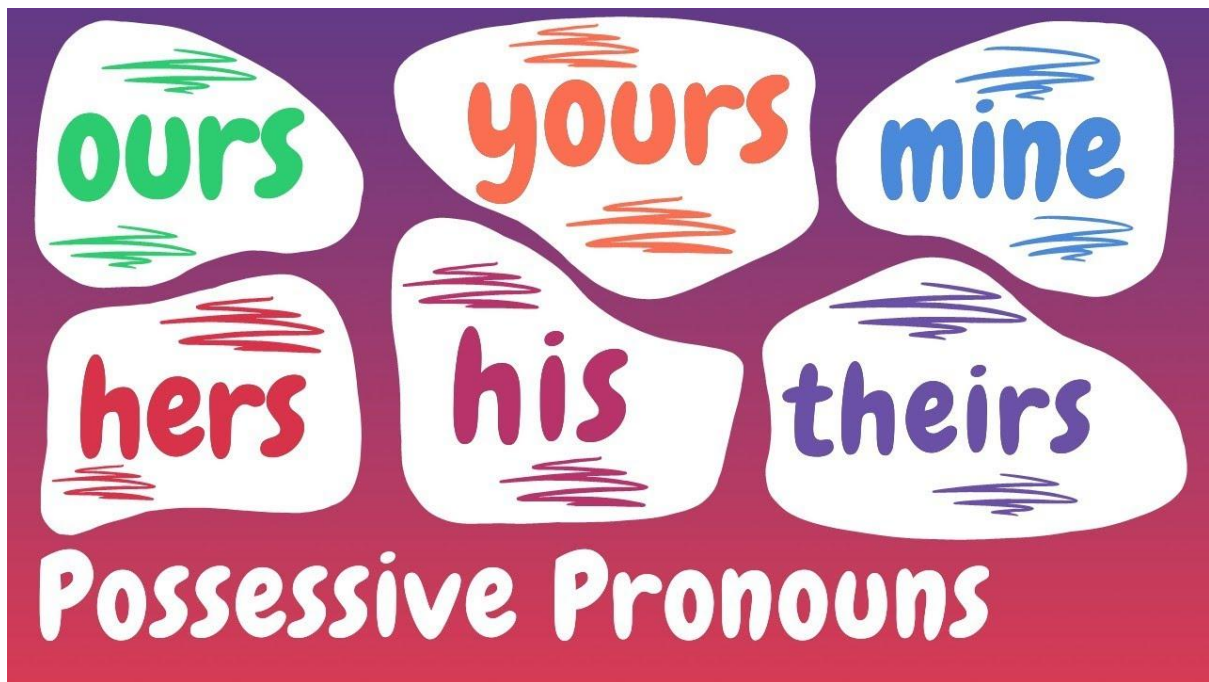


PERSONAL PRONOUNS

PERSONAL PRONOUNS REFER TO PEOPLE OR THINGS AND ARE OFTEN TWINNED WITH **POSSESSIVE ADJECTIVES**.

Examples:

- **I** write in **my** book.
- **You** write in **your** book.
- **She** writes in **her** book.
- **He** writes in **his** book.
- **They** write in **their** books.



POSSESSIVE PRONOUNS INDICATE OWNERSHIP.

Examples:

- That book is **hers**, not **yours**.
- This pen is **mine**.
- That house is **ours**.



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REFLEXIVE PRONOUNS

REFLECT BACK TO THE
NOUN OR THE
PRONOUN.

They usually end in **self** or **selves**.

Examples:

- Mark sees **himself** in the mirror.
- Mary talks to **herself**.
- They introduce **themselves**.



Interrogative Pronouns




Who

Ex: **Who** won the game?


Whom

Ex: **Whom** are you talking to?


What

Ex: **What** is your name?

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Whose

Ex: **Whose** book is this?


Which

Ex: **Which** color do you prefer?

INTERROGATIVE PRONOUNS

INTERROGATE OR ASK QUESTIONS.

- **Who** (which person) is calling?
- **Whose** (which person's) book is this?
- **To whom** (to which person) does this belong?
- **What** (action) are you doing?
- **Which** (one) dress should I wear?

Summary:

1. **Personal Pronouns** - refer to people or things and are often twinned with **possessive adjectives**. (**They** write in **their** books.)
2. **Possessive Pronouns** - indicate ownership. (That book is **hers**, not **yours**.)
3. **Reflexive Pronouns** - reflect back to the noun or the pronoun. (They introduce **themselves**.)
4. **Interrogative Pronouns** - interrogate or ask questions. (**Which** dress should I wear?)

Activity:

Identify the Pronouns

Underline the pronoun in each sentence:

1. Whose bag is lying on the floor?
2. They arrived early for the meeting.
3. The blue bicycle is mine.
4. We enjoyed ourselves at the camp.
5. Who is knocking at the door?
6. He hurt himself while playing rugby.
7. Is this pencil yours?
8. I forgot my lunch at home.
9. Which subject do you enjoy the most?
10. She introduced herself to the new learners.

Choose the Correct Pronoun

Circle the correct answer:

1. (She / Herself) is the captain of the netball team.
2. The trophy belongs to (them / theirs).
3. We taught (ourselves / us) how to bake.
4. (Who / Himself) won the race?
5. The books are (our / ours).
6. (They / Their) are preparing for the test.
7. Siphso blamed (himself / him).
8. (Whose / Our) jacket is this?
9. The decision was made by (them / themselves).
10. The red car is (her / hers).

Complete the Sentences:

1. Sarah and I are friends. _____ enjoy reading.
2. The house belongs to my parents. It is _____.
3. I looked at _____ in the mirror.
4. _____ is your favourite sport?
5. The learners finished the project by _____.
6. John forgot _____ homework.
7. Is this pen _____?
8. _____ are you talking to?
9. We congratulated _____ after winning the competition.
10. My brother and sister said _____ would arrive later.

Replace the words in bold with the correct pronoun:

1. **Nomsa and Lerato** are practising for the concert.
2. **The boys** cleaned the classroom without help.
3. **Which learner** answered correctly?
4. **The teacher** thanked **the teacher** for working hard.
5. The bicycles belong to **Sipho and me**.
6. **My sister** baked the cake without assistance.
7. **The dog and the cat** are sleeping.
8. **The books** belong to **you**.
9. **The principal** introduced **the principal** to the visitors.

Write the correct pronoun:

1. The learners completed the task by _____.
2. _____ pencil is this?
3. The winning trophy belongs to us. It is _____.
4. _____ are planning a class outing next week.
5. The injured player blamed _____ for the mistake.
6. _____ is your best friend?
7. The decision belongs to the committee. It is _____.
8. My sister and I enjoyed _____ at the beach.
9. The books belong to her. They are _____.
10. _____ will represent the school in the competition?

MEMORANDUM

Underline the pronoun in each sentence:

1. Whose – Interrogative
2. They – Personal
3. mine – Possessive
4. ourselves – Reflexive
5. Who – Interrogative
6. himself – Reflexive
7. yours – Possessive
8. I – Personal
9. Which – Interrogative
10. herself – Reflexive

Circle the correct answer:

1. She
2. theirs
3. ourselves
4. Who
5. ours
6. They
7. himself
8. Whose
9. themselves
10. hers

Complete the Sentences:

1. We
2. theirs
3. myself
4. What
5. themselves
6. his
7. yours
8. Who
9. ourselves
10. they

Replace the words in bold with the correct pronoun:

1. They are practising for the concert.
2. They cleaned the classroom without help. / They cleaned the classroom by **themselves**.
3. Who answered correctly?
4. The teacher thanked **herself/himself** for working hard.
5. The bicycles are **ours**.
6. She baked the cake by **herself**.
7. They are sleeping.
8. The books are **yours**.
9. The principal introduced **himself/herself** to the visitors.

Write the correct pronoun:

1. themselves
2. Whose
3. ours
4. We
5. himself / herself (*depending on the player's gender*)
6. Who
7. theirs
8. ourselves
9. hers
10. Who