

## ENGLISH

### TOPIC: PRONOUNS

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#### Pronoun

Pronouns are words that take the place of nouns in a sentence.

#### Example.

Ruhail is an intelligent student. He goes to school daily. He studies a lot. He is making preparation for examination. He will get high marks examination.

In the above paragraph pronoun “he” is used instead of noun “Ruhail”. If we do not use pronoun in above paragraph we will have to use the noun “Ruhail” again and again in each sentence. So, **the purpose of pronoun is to avoid the repetition of a noun.**

**Examples.** *He, she, it, they, you, I, we, who, him, her, them, me, us, whom, his, its, their, your, mine, our and whose, myself, himself, herself, yourself, which, this, that these, those,* are the pronouns which are mostly used.

**Pronoun can be divided into following groups.**

- **Personal Pronouns:** e.g. *I, you, He, she, it, they, who, me, him, her, them, whom*
- **Possessive Pronouns:** e.g. *yours, mine, his, hers, ours, theirs,*
- **Reflexive Pronouns:** e.g. *myself, himself, herself, itself, yourself, ourselves, themselves*

#### Personal Pronouns

Personal pronoun describes a particular person or thing or group.

Personal pronoun describes the person speaking (I, me, we, us), the person spoken to (you), or the person or thing spoken about (he, she, it, they, him, her, them).

#### Example.

He helps poor.

The pronoun “he” in above sentence describes a person who helps poor.

#### Use of Personal Pronouns.

Number	Person	Personal Pronoun
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		Subject	Object
Singular	1st Person	I	Me
	2nd Person	You	You
	3rd Person	He, She, It	Him, Her, It
Plural	1st Person	We	Us
	2nd Person	You	You
	3rd Person	They	Them

**Examples.**

She is intelligent

They are playing chess.

He sent me a letter.

It is raining.

We love our country.

The teacher appreciated them.

I met him yesterday.

He gave her a gift.

Did you go to home?

**Possessive Pronouns**

Possessive Pronoun indicates close possession or ownership or relationship of a thing/person to another thing/person.

e.g. *yours, mine, his, hers, ours, theirs, hers,*

**Example.**

This book is mine.

The pronoun “mine” describes the relationship between book and a person (me) who possesses this book or who is the owner of this book.

Number	Person	Possessive Pronoun
Singular	1st Person	Mine
	2nd Person	Yours
	3rd Person	Hers, his, its
Plural	1st Person	Ours
	2nd Person	Yours
	3rd Person	Theirs

**Examples.**

That car is hers.

Your book is old. Mine is new.

The pen on the table is mine.

The smallest cup is yours.

The voice is hers.

The car is ours not theirs.

I have lost my camera. May I use yours?

They received your letter. Did you received theirs.

**Note:** Possessive adjectives (my, her, your) may be confused with possessive pronouns. Possessive adjective modifies noun in terms of possession. Both possessive adjective and possessive pronoun show possession or ownership, but possessive adjective is used (with noun) to modify the noun while Possessive pronoun is used instead (in place of) a noun.

**Examples.**

This is my book. (Possessive adjective: "my" modifies the noun "book")

This book is mine. (Possessive pronoun: "mine" is used instead of noun "to whom the book belongs")

**Reflexive Pronoun.**

Reflexive pronoun describes noun when subject's action affects the subject itself.  
e.g *himself, yourself, herself, ourselves, themselves, itself* are reflexive pronouns.

Reflexive pronouns always act as objects not subjects, and they require an interaction between the subject and an object.

Number	Person	Subject	Reflive Pronoun
Singular	1st Person	I	Myself
	2nd Person	You	Yourself
	3rd Person	He, she, it	Himself, Herself, Itself
Plural	1st Person	We	Ourselves
	2nd Person	You	Yourselves
	3rd Person	They	Themselves

**Examples.**

I looked at myself in the mirror.

You should think about yourself.

They prepared themselves for completion.

She pleases herself by think that she will win the prize.

He bought a car for himself.

He locked himself in the room.

He who loves only himself is a selfish.