

LESSON 1: To use pronouns in place of nouns

PRONOUNS

Pronouns are used in the place of nouns ('naming' words), so that we don't repeat them too often. Take a look at the pronouns listed in the box below. Some of them you will already know; some of them you will learn about in primary school, and some of them in high school.

I	me	you	he	her	it
we	us	they	them	mine	yours
his	hers	ours	theirs	its	myself
herself	himself	itself	themselves	yourself	yourselves
someone	something	anyone	anything	nobody	nothing
everybody	everything	who	whom	whose	which
what	this	that	those	some	much

Take a look at this passage of text. How could it be improved?

Peter went for a walk. Peter stopped when he arrived at the café, and Peter looked inside. Peter took off Peter's coat, then Peter sat down in Peter's favourite chair. Peter's friend, Sally came in. Sally down in Sally's favourite chair, then Sally put Sally's handbag on the floor.

Re-write the passage, using pronouns instead of the nouns 'Peter' and 'Sally'. Use the pronouns: **she**, **her**, **his** and **he**.

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Which passage sounds better? The first or the second one? Why?

LESSON 1: HOMEWORK: To complete sentences using pronouns

her	me	I	you
she	his	we	themselves
they	yourself	them	us

Pronouns are used in the place of nouns. Choose one of the pronouns above, to complete these sentences below:

- (1) He wrote the date on _____ piece of work.
- (2) I wrote to my cousins and invited _____ to my house for a sleepover.
- (3) "I like Nila. I think I am _____ best friend," remarked Alice.
- (4) "Can _____ go on a trip to Warley Woods?" asked all the children.
- (5) When my auntie went to the car, _____ got the shopping out from the boot.
- (6) "I'll look after your rabbit for _____," replied Neil.
- (7) The class of children enjoyed themselves when _____ played basketball on the playground.
- (8) "My grandma is coming to stay with _____ tonight," said Darren.
- (9) My brothers and _____ are waiting for our dad to come home from work.
- (10) "Are they going to behave _____ tonight?" asked Brian.