

L.O. To be able to use pronouns.

Pronouns: The Rules

Pronouns are words used to **replace a noun**. Without pronouns, spoken and written English would be very repetitive.

Nicola loves to play golf. She finds it very relaxing.

Sam heard a noise from the cave. There was definitely something inside it.

There are **six** different types of pronouns...



Personal Pronouns: The Rules

Personal pronouns represent **people, places** and **things**. They **refer back** to either the **object** or **subject** of the sentence. Personal pronouns often signal whether the noun they refer back to is **singular** or **plural** and its **gender**.

them	him	you
it	you	I
we	she	they
he	me	us

He pointed at **her**. **She** giggled at **him**.



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Possessive Pronouns: The Rules

Possessive pronouns show you the **ownership** of something. They are not to be confused with possessive apostrophe words. **They don't need an apostrophe.**

mine

yours

his

hers

its

ours

theirs

The bike was **his**.



Relative Pronouns: The Rules

Relative pronouns are the first words used in a **relative clause**.

that

who

whom

which

whose

Jim, who was dressed as a superhero, was going to a fancy dress party.



The lion held the mouse, which made him nervous.

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Reflexive Pronouns: The Rules

Reflexive pronouns reflect back on an earlier noun or pronoun.

myself **themselves** **herself** **yourself** **himself** **ourselves**

He taught himself to play the accordion.

'Himself' refers back to the pronoun 'he'.



Interrogative Pronouns: The Rules

Interrogative pronouns are used to **ask questions** when there is an **unknown subject** or **object**.

what

who

which

whose

whom

Who was that?



Whose are those?



Indefinite Pronouns: The Rules

Indefinite pronouns do not refer to any specific person or thing, but still can take the place of a noun.

somebody	someone	nobody	all
something	anybody	nothing	another
anyone	anything	no one	whose
each	many	most	other
some	few	none	such

There isn't **anyone** at home.

Pronouns: The Tricky Bits

The two most commonly misused personal pronouns are:

me

I



Me and Danielle worked at the computer.

This sentence is incorrect. Think about it... would 'me worked at the computer' be grammatically correct?

Danielle and **I** worked at the computer.

'I' is the correct pronoun to use. Always place the other person first.

Pronouns – Quiz Question 1

Underline six pronouns in the following passage.

Bob and Bert went shopping for camping equipment. They bought a tent for themselves. It came with free sleeping bags. Bob gave his to someone else because he already had one.



Pronouns – Quiz Question 2

Add a possessive pronoun to this sentence:

“You can’t play with the train – it’s mine”.



Pronouns – Quiz Question 3

Rewrite the sentences, replacing the underlined nouns with the correct pronouns.

Sara played Scrabble even though Sara doesn't really like Scrabble.

Sara played Scrabble even though **she** doesn't really like **it**.

Some Australian spiders are venomous so be careful not to approach the spiders.

Some Australian spiders are venomous so be careful not to approach **them**.

English Task

Tomorrow you are going to write the Diary of Kate Barlow.

In order to write the diary you will need to re-read chapter 26 and make a list or create a mind map containing all of the major plot points from this chapter.

