

Pronouns

Pronouns take the place of nouns. A **personal pronoun** refers to specific people or things. An **indefinite pronoun** does not refer to specific people or things.

Personal pronouns: *I, you, he, she, it, we, they, me, her, him, us, them*

Common indefinite pronouns: *anyone, anything, everyone, no one, nothing, somebody, something*

We promised to tell no one. I won't say anything about it.

Your Turn Write each sentence. Circle the personal pronouns. Underline the indefinite pronouns.

1. We talked to the police officer.
2. Something didn't seem right to us.
3. She gave me a phone number to call.
4. I could talk to anyone at the station.
5. "They want to help everyone," she told us.

Singular and Plural Pronouns

Singular pronouns include *I, you, he, she, it, me, her, and him*. Indefinite pronouns are usually treated as singular.

Plural pronouns include *we, you, they, us, and them*.

*He gives **them** money. **They** give **him** change. **Everybody** is happy.*

Your Turn Write each sentence. Circle the singular pronouns. Underline the plural pronouns.

1. We wanted to give my mother a gift.
2. I found it on sale at the mall.
3. I bought two because they were on sale.
4. We hope that she likes them.

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Subject Pronouns

A **subject pronoun** tells who or what did an action in a sentence. *I, you, he, she, it, we, and they* are subject pronouns.

***She** calls us into the dining room. **We** are ready to eat.*

Your Turn Write each sentence. Change the words in () into subject pronouns.

1. (My grandmother) cooks our dinner. *She*
2. (My brother and sister) sit at the table. *They*
3. Can (my brother) have a glass of juice? *he*
4. (My sister and I) have a surprise dessert for our parents. *We*
5. No one enjoys food as much as (my father) does! *he*

Object Pronouns

An **object pronoun** comes after an action verb or prepositions such as *for, at, of, on, with, about, and to*. The pronouns *me, you, him, her, it, us, and them* are object pronouns.

*The clerk gave **us** two tickets. My parents put **them** in a safe place.*

Your Turn Write each sentence. Change the words in () into object pronouns.

1. My parents called (my sister and me) downstairs. *us*
2. We gave (my parents) our attention. *them*
3. They looked at (my sister). *her*
4. "Tell (the two children) about our vacation," Mom said. *them*
5. "Let's start (our vacation) today!" Dad exclaimed. *it*