

Personal Pronouns

Subject pronouns can be used to substitute a noun in the subject position in a sentence.

Singular	I	You	He	She	It
Plural	We	You	They		

Example: **Martha** works for a cellular company. **She** has to travel to Orlando every week.

Note on usage: Keep in mind that a name or noun should be used first to establish a frame of reference in a conversation or a piece of writing.

Exceptions to this rule would be in creative writing, story telling, or when using the pronouns **you** and **I**.

Object Pronouns

Object pronouns substitute nouns in the direct and indirect object positions or may replace nouns after a preposition in a sentence.

Singular	Me	You	Him	Her	It
Plural	Us	You	Them		

Examples: Not long ago, the chief executive officer of the company gave **us** a bonus.
The phone call was for **me**.

Possessive Pronouns

Possessive pronouns are used to show possession. They are not used with an apostrophe or to modify a noun. They serve their purpose on their own.

Singular	Mine	Yours	His	Hers	Its
Plural	Ours	Yours	Theirs		

Examples: This scientific discovery is **theirs**.
I want **mine** to go there.

Possessive Adjectives

Unlike possessive pronouns, possessive adjectives **must** modify a noun. Compare the differences between possessive pronouns and possessive adjectives in the examples below.

Singular	My	Your	His	Her	Its
Plural	Our	Your	Their		

Examples: **Our** class doesn't start until 1:30 p.m.
Your information is very accurate.

What differences do you see? List them here.

Try these exercises. How are the underlined words being used? Look at the example done for you.

Example: I need my book. Can you please give it back to me?

1. I subject pronoun
2. My possessive adjective
3. You subject pronoun
4. It object pronoun after a verb
5. Me object pronoun after a preposition

1. When will he be arriving with my documents? He will be arriving tomorrow with them.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

2. The Taylors bought a new cat whose name is Gizmo. They are very happy with him. He has green eyes and his hair is gray.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

4. _____

3. Our parents went on vacation a couple of days ago. They told us that we could not have any friends over. We're thinking about having a little party anyway. Do you think they'll find out about it?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

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