

Personal Pronouns (Part I)

1. Introduction:

The most well known pronouns are the **Personal Pronouns**, which in English are also called **Subject Pronouns**. They are **I, you, he, she, it, we, you** and **they**. The **pronouns** are used in place of names (**nouns**) and as the **subject** of a sentence.

2. Subject Pronouns:

The **Subject Pronouns** are used to substitute **subjects** with the intention of **avoiding repetition** of names in sentences.

Persons	Subject Pronouns	Translation
1 st . Person Singular	I	
2 nd . Person Singular	You	
3 rd . Person Singular	He	
3 rd . Person Singular	She	
3 rd . Person Singular	It	
1 st . Person Plural	We	
2 nd . Person Plural	You	
3 rd . Person Plural	They	

Ex.:

Sheila is my cousin. **She** lives near my house.

Rachel and **I** go to the park every day.

We are Brazilian. **We** are from Brazil.

3. Object Pronouns:

The **Object Pronouns** serve to replace **direct** or **indirect objects**. They should always come after **verbs** or **prepositions**.

Persons	Object Pronouns	Translation
1 st . Person Singular	Me	
2 nd . Person Singular	You	
3 rd . Person Singular	Him	
3 rd . Person Singular	Her	
3 rd . Person Singular	It	
1 st . Person Plural	Us	
2 nd . Person Plural	You	
3 rd . Person Plural	Them	

Ex.:

John is over there. Please, give **him** this book.

Alfred loves **her**.

We talked **to him** last night.

Preliminary Work:

1. Complete the sentences with a personal pronoun for the words in brackets.

- a. **HE** likes chocolate. (**David**)
- b. _____ is studying for her exams. (Sarah)
- c. Have you seen _____? (my parents)
- d. _____ sleeps during the day. (the cat)
- e. Please tell _____ how to get there. (the people)
- f. _____ are watching TV. (my brother and I)
- g. _____ are at work. (my mum and dad)
- h. He told _____ a joke. (Dave and me)
- i. _____ loves sweets. (Carol)
- j. _____ is playing the piano. (John)
- k. _____ are sleeping. (my sister and I).

2. Substitute the expressions in bold by personal pronouns.

- a. **Rafaela** is playing volleyball with **her friends** now. **She** is playing volleyball with **them** now.
- b. **Your car keys** are under that chair. _____
- c. Felipe promised to meet **Marisa and me** right here. _____
- d. What do **Vanessa and Raul** say to this? _____
- e. I really like the book you gave to **Claudia**. _____
- f. **Cristina and I** are having breakfast outside **the house**. _____
- g. It is hot in here. Please, open **that window**. _____
- h. Would you mind reading **this passage** to **Roberto**? _____
- i. How often does **Celso** write to **his mother**? _____
- j. **Everybody** enjoys a walk on the beach. _____

3. Circle the correct alternative.

- a. Suzane and _____ are planning to travel to Egypt.
(a) us (b) me (c) I (d) them (e) his
- b. It was very nice of _____ to invite us to her graduation ceremony.
(a) she (b) her (c) we (d) they (e) he
- c. They've made _____ think they were lost in the jungle.

(a) us (b) they (c) we (d) she (e) he

d. The lady asked _____ if he had travelled a lot.

(a) they (b) we (c) he (d) him (e) she

4. Complete the sentences with the correct subject pronoun.

a. This is Joe. _____ 's the leader of Monsoon.

b. My name's Sadie. _____ 'm a student.

c. I like Alicia Keys. _____ 's my favorite singer.

d. Lee and Joe are friends. _____ 're in Class 9SJ.

e. Jack and I are students. _____ 're at Westover School.

f. Barney, look at the time! _____ 're late!

g. Mel and Lee, _____ 're late!

h. This is my keyboard. _____ 's Japanese.

5. Fill in the blanks with Subject Pronouns.

a. _____ is my friend.

f. _____ are my cousins.

b. _____ is my brother.

g. _____ are my parents.

c. _____ are young.

h. _____ are my friends.

d. _____ is my aunt.

i. _____ is my sister.

e. _____ is my uncle.

6. Fill in the dialogue with the correct object pronoun.

Peter: Where's Jenny? I can't find _____.

Harry: I don't know. Don't ask _____. There's Ann. Ask _____.

Peter: Ann, is Jenny with _____?

Ann: No, she isn't. There are Jack and Simon. Ask _____.

Peter: Jack! Simon! Is Jenny with _____?

Jack: No, she isn't with _____. She's on the balcony.