

## Personal Pronouns (Part 2)

### 1. Possessive Adjectives:

The **Possessive Adjectives** are words that have the function of modifying a noun indicating ownership or possession. For example, "This is **her** book" the possessive adjective "**her**" is specifying that the book belongs to **a woman**.

| Persons                           | Subject Pronouns | Possessive Adjectives | Translation |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> . Person Singular | <i>I</i>         | <i>My</i>             |             |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> . Person Singular | <i>You</i>       | <i>Your</i>           |             |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Person Singular | <i>He</i>        | <i>His</i>            |             |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Person Singular | <i>She</i>       | <i>Her</i>            |             |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Person Singular | <i>It</i>        | <i>Its</i>            |             |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> . Person Plural   | <i>We</i>        | <i>Our</i>            |             |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> . Person Plural   | <i>You</i>       | <i>Your</i>           |             |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Person Plural   | <i>They</i>      | <i>Their</i>          |             |

Ex.:

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

### 3. Possessive Pronouns:

**Possessive Pronouns** indicate ownership and are used to replace the noun contained in the sentence.

| Persons                           | Possessive Pronouns | Translation |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> . Person Singular | <i>Mine</i>         |             |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> . Person Singular | <i>Yours</i>        |             |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Person Singular | <i>His</i>          |             |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Person Singular | <i>Hers</i>         |             |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Person Singular | <i>Its</i>          |             |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> . Person Plural   | <i>Ours</i>         |             |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> . Person Plural   | <i>Yours</i>        |             |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Person Plural   | <i>Theirs</i>       |             |

Ex.:

These **books** are **hers**. (Not: These **books** are **her books**.)

Preliminary Work:

**1. Complete using the possessive adjective that corresponds to the possessor:**

- a. Jim is from New York and \_\_\_\_\_ teacher is from New Jersey.
- b. Maria is from Mexico and \_\_\_\_\_ doctor is from California.
- c. I am from São Paulo and \_\_\_\_\_ architect is from Campinas.
- d. Mark and Kenny are American and \_\_\_\_\_ friends are Brazilian.
- e. Pierre and I are French and \_\_\_\_\_ students are English.
- f. Tom and you are engineers and \_\_\_\_\_ telephone number is 555-5678.
- g. Ana and \_\_\_\_\_ teacher are from Curitiba.
- h. Jason is \_\_\_\_\_ first name.

**2. Choose and circle the correct alternative.**

- a. Tom always types **his / hers** letters, but we never type **our / ours**.
- b. Karen and Susan are waiting for **their / theirs** parents.
- c. I know **my / mine** family very well. Do you know **yours / your**?
- d. **Your / Yours** is an excellent car. How much did you pay for it?
- e. She always shouts at **her / hers** children.
- f. Children ask **theirs / their** parents difficult questions.
- g. Give him **your / yours** address.

**3. Supply the correct possessive.**

- a. I do \_\_\_\_\_ things, you do \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. She can do \_\_\_\_\_ homework alone. He can't do \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. We must wash \_\_\_\_\_ hands before lunch.
- d. The boys aren't going to clean \_\_\_\_\_ rooms today.
- e. Dr. Smith washes \_\_\_\_\_ car every morning.

**4. Check the correct alternative.**

- a. Does \_\_\_\_\_ bring \_\_\_\_\_ books to the class?  
(a) he – him                      (b) she – her                      (c) her – she                      (d) she – hers
- b. Do you prefer listening to \_\_\_\_\_ records or \_\_\_\_\_?  
(a) your – yours                      (b) my – him                      (c) your – our                      (d) your – mine
- c. Larry must talk to \_\_\_\_\_ coordinator.  
(a) ours                      (b) mine                      (c) his                      (d) him
- d. Mrs. Cohen and \_\_\_\_\_ children are waiting for \_\_\_\_\_ answer.  
(a) his – our                      (b) their – yours                      (c) her – our                      (d) her – ours

**5. Read the text and choose the right word for each space.**

Hi, I'm Gill and this is **1** \_\_\_\_\_ sister Karen. This is a photo of **2** \_\_\_\_\_ mum and dad. **3** \_\_\_\_\_ teachers. My mum is 35 and **4** \_\_\_\_\_ a math teacher. **5** \_\_\_\_\_ favorite place is California. My dad is 38 and **6** \_\_\_\_\_ an English teacher. **7** \_\_\_\_\_ favorite place is Blackpoll! **8** \_\_\_\_\_ favorite people are Karen and me, of course.

**a.** (a) my

(b) me

**e.** (a) Her

(b) His

**b.** (a) we

(b) our

**f.** (a) she's

(b) he's

**c.** (a) They're

(b) Their

**g.** (a) His

(b) Her

**d.** (a) she's

(b) he's

**h.** (a) They

(b) Their