

pronouns

Pronouns take the place of nouns. You can use them so that you do not repeat the same noun over and over again.

The boy bought an ice-cream.

He (*the boy*) ate **it** (*an ice-cream*).

Singular pronouns replace singular nouns.

The man found a dog.

He found it.

Plural pronouns replace plural nouns.

The men cooked sausages.

They cooked them.

Masculine or feminine pronouns replace masculine or feminine nouns.

The boy phoned the girl.

He phoned her.

There are different types of pronouns.

Personal pronouns

Use these to refer to places or things.

We know her.

They never use it.

Possessive pronouns

Use these to show ownership.

The boots are his, the slippers are yours and the shoes are mine.

Indefinite pronouns

Use these to talk about people or things that do not have exact details.

Nobody knows something about everything.

Interrogative pronouns

Who, whom, which, whose and **what** are interrogative pronouns. Use them to begin questions.

Whose is this? Who did that? What is that noise? Which shall I choose?

Demonstrative pronouns

This, that, these and **those** are demonstrative pronouns. Use them to point to the nouns they replace.

This is a good book.

Those are horrible shoes.