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(1) a. *Góður þessi bjór!*  
good.M this.M beer.M  
'This beer is good (in my opinion)!'  
b. *Hetja þessi maður!*  
hero.F this maður.M  
'This man is a real hero (in my estimation)!'

(2) *Hann er góður þessi bjór.*  
he.M is.3SG good.M this beer.M

(3) *Þessi bjór er góður.*  
this.M beer.M is.3SG good.M

(4) a. *Hún er nemandi þessi stelpa.*  
she is student.M this girl.F  
b. *\*Nemandi þessi stelpa.*  
student.M this girl.F

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