

## Possessive Pronouns

A possessive pronoun tells who or what owns (possesses) something. A possessive pronoun takes the place of possessive nouns (nouns that show ownership).

Examples of possessive pronouns that are used before a noun:

**our** boat    **her** brother    **my** necklace    **your** house    **their** basket    **its** tail

Examples of possessive pronouns that stand alone:

Is this hat **yours**?      Yes, the cards are **mine**.      Is this book **theirs** ?

Rewrite each sentence using a possessive pronoun from the word box for the underlined word.

<b>her   his   its   our   yours   their</b>
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1) I am going to Rahul's performance.

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2) I will tell Leela's friend about the book.

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3) Look at the turtle's shell.

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4) This is my family's garden.

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5) Does that look like Hari and Sita's car ?

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6) This is my family's houseboat.

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7) Please put this plant in Ram and Sarita's balcony.

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8) Did you see the peacock's feathers ?

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## Relative Pronouns

Relative pronouns are used to link two sentences that have the same noun or pronoun in them. Relative pronouns form the beginning of a relative clause.

**Two Sentences:** He likes the girl. The girl comes from Mysore.

**Relative Clause:** He likes the girl who comes from Mysore. OR He likes the girl that comes from Mysore.

**Two Sentences:** I bought the car. The car needs repairs.

**Relative Clause:** I bought the car that needs repairs. OR I bought the car which needs repairs.

who    whose    that    which    whom    what
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Combine the following sentences by changing the second sentence to a relative clause. Use **that** as the relative pronoun.

1. I found the money. The money belonged to Narayan.

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2. She has a good memory. Her memory always serves her well.

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3. This is the woman. I told you about the woman.

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4. I have a document. The document proves my innocence.

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5. They want to visit the country. Madan comes from the country.

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Follow the same directions. Use **who**, **whom**, or **whose** as the relative pronoun.

6. This is the doctor. The doctor saved my life.

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7. Do you know the musician? I met the musician in Hosur.

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8. She likes the gentleman. I was telling her about the gentleman.

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9. I visited the sisters. The sisters' father had recently died.

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10. Sunder noticed the stranger. All the neighbors were staring at the stranger.

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Follow the same directions. Use **which** as the relative pronoun.

11. Paarvati threw away the picture. The boys had found the picture.

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12. I live in the house. My grandfather was born in the house.

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13. He bought a suit. The suit is navy blue.

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14. Anmol has a new hat. I like the new hat very much.

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15. He wanted to paint the bench. A man was sitting on the bench.

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# Reflexive Pronouns

A reflexive pronoun is used when the subject and object of the sentence are the same.  
The reflexive pronouns are:

<b>myself</b>	<b>yourself</b>	<b>yourselves</b>	<b>himself</b>	<b>herself</b>
	<b>itself</b>	<b>ourselves</b>	<b>themselves</b>	

<b>myself</b>	I cut myself
<b>yourself</b>	Help yourself
<b>herself</b>	My boss loves herself
<b>himself</b>	My boss loves himself
<b>itself</b>	The train drives itself
<b>ourselves</b>	We did it ourselves
<b>yourselves</b>	Help yourselves.
<b>themselves</b>	They made the decision themselves

Fill the gaps with reflexive pronouns.

1. This accident was my fault. I feel very disappointed with \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Be careful with that sharp knife! You are going to hurt \_\_\_\_\_ if you are not careful.
3. When I walked into the room, the only person I saw and heard was Joe. He must have been talking to \_\_\_\_\_ when I walked in.
4. My wife and I have our own business. We don't have a boss. We work for \_\_\_\_\_.
5. No one taught Mr. and Mrs. Smith how to run a business. They taught \_\_\_\_\_ everything they needed to know about running a small business.
6. Mr Baker has been working very hard and he is going to reward \_\_\_\_\_ by taking a vacation next week.
7. I climbed to the top of the diving tower and walked to the end of the diving board. I wished \_\_\_\_\_ some luck and dived into the pool.
8. Rebecca has the flu. She must rest at home and take care of \_\_\_\_\_.
9. When we have problems in our lives, we shouldn't get discouraged and feel sad. If we believe in \_\_\_\_\_, we can always be happy.

10. When I got that job, everybody congratulated me, including \_\_\_\_\_.
11. He built a boat all by \_\_\_\_\_.
12. I hurt \_\_\_\_\_ quite badly falling down the stairs.
13. The children did everything \_\_\_\_\_ without any help.
14. "Maria and Alison, you really should look after \_\_\_\_\_ better."
15. "Forget it! I'll do it \_\_\_\_\_."
16. I burnt \_\_\_\_\_ on the oven yesterday.
17. She blames \_\_\_\_\_ for what happened.
18. Mohan taught \_\_\_\_\_ to type last summer.
19. I talk to \_\_\_\_\_ all the time. It doesn't mean I'm crazy.
20. We all enjoyed \_\_\_\_\_ very much on the picnic.
21. I was so stupid I could have kicked \_\_\_\_\_.
22. The protesters locked \_\_\_\_\_ into the church and refused to come out.