## ITE 1912 - Communication Skills Development 2022S1

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QUIZ

ITE1912-22S1 → Grammar Quiz 5 - Pronoun Agreement

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#### Question 1

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

For the sentence below, select the choice that uses pronoun agreement correctly. If the original sentence is correct, select "no change is necessary."

Neither Mary nor Ravi studied his or her spelling words.

#### Select one:

- a. Neither Mary nor Ravi studied thier spelling words.
- b. No change is necessary.
  - c. Neither Mary nor Ravi studied theirs spelling words.
- d. Neither Mary nor Ravi studied hers spelling words.

The word neither is singular and you have to use a singular pronoun.

# Question 2

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

For the sentence below, select the choice that uses pronoun agreement correctly. If the original sentence is correct, select "no change is necessary."

Each of the girls makes her own clothes.

## Select one:

- a. No change is necessary.
- b. Each of the girls make them own clothes.
- c. Each of the girls make their own clothes. X
- d. Each of the girls makes hers own clothes.

The correct pronoun is *her*, which refers back to the singular "Each".

#### Question 3

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the passage. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary""

Uncle Sam's noisy neighbours so disturbed poor Chithra, who was studying for the examination, that she scolded  $\underline{it}$ .

#### Select one:

- a. Change it to him or her. X
- b. No change is necessary.
  - c. Change it to her.
- d. Change it to them.

The neighbours are a plural antecedent requiring the plural pronoun them.

#### Question 4

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the sentence. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary".

Both Shakya and her friend, Harith, take <u>her or his</u> noon meal from one of the leading Chinese restaurants.

## Select one:

- a. Change his or her to their.
- 💿 b. Change his or her to his. 🗶
- oc. Change his or her to its.
- d. No change is necessary.

Shakya and her friend is a plural antecedent requiring the plural pronoun their.

# Question 5

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

For the sentence below, select the choice that uses pronoun agreement correctly. If the original sentence is correct, select "no change is necessary."

Everybody in this class has completed his or her homework already.

## Select one:

- a. Everybody in this class has completed theirs homework already.
  - b. Everybody in this class has completed our homework already.
- c. Everybody in this class has completed their homework already. X
- d. No change is necessary.

Everybody is singular (even though it seems to be talking about more than one person).

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Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the sentence. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary".

Ravi refuses to eat coconut sambol because <u>their</u> red onions make his breath stink so badly that his girlfriends won't like that smell.

#### Select one:

- a. Change their to his or her.
- b. Change their to his. X
- c. No change is necessary.
- d. Change their to its.

Sambol is singular and requires a singular pronoun without gender, such as it.

#### Question 7

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

Choose the appropriate pronoun for the sentence.

Anyone can join our group if \_\_\_\_\_ is really interested.

# Select one:

- oa. he
- ob. its
- c. they X
- Od. hers

Anyone is referred to by singular pronouns.

# Question 8

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

Choose the appropriate pronoun for the sentence.

Not surprisingly, all of the birds in the park wanted \_\_\_\_\_fair share of the food too.

## Select one:

- a. their
- ob. its
- oc. his or her

"all of the birds " is plural. Therefore a plural pronoun should be used.

Question 9 Correct	Choose the one answer that will fix all agreement problems in the sentence. If no error exists, choose "No change is necessary".
Mark 1.00 out of 1.00	Before people buy electrical equipment from the pavements, <b>they</b> should check them to see whether they are working or not.
	Select one:  a. Change they to he.  b. Change they to she  c. Change they to he or she.  d. No change is necessary. ✓
	people [plural] agrees with they [plural].
Question 10 Incorrect Mark 0.00 out of 1.00	Choose the appropriate pronoun for the sentence.  Each of the boys has own savings account.
	Select one:  a. his or her ×  b. theirs  c. his  d. their
	Each is referred to by singular pronouns.
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