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Pronouns: Reflexive and Intensive

Pronouns are words that take the place of nouns in sentences.

Example: Mark will take Mark's little brother with Mark.

You can substitute pronouns to make the sentence clearer:

Mark will take *his* little brother with *him*.

See the chart below containing singular and plural nominative, objective, possessive, and reflexive personal pronouns. Review the examples of special pronouns and the rules of agreement that follow the chart.

Personal Pronouns (Reflexive and intensive pronouns are in boldface.)

Singular

First Person	Second Person	Third Person
I, me, my, mine	you, your, yours	he, she, it, him, her, hers,
myself	yourself	its, himself, herself, itself

Plural

First Person	Second Person	Third Person
we, us, our	you, your, yours,	they, them, their, theirs
ours, ourselves	yourselves	themselves

REFLEXIVE AND INTENSIVE PRONOUNS

Reflexive pronouns are used to reflect the subject for clarity.

Examples: I will do it myself.

Arnie was able to build the model himself, and the teacher was impressed.

Reflexive pronouns never substitute for subject or object pronouns.

INCORRECT: Ben and myself will do the project together.

CORRECT: Ben and I will do the project together.

INCORRECT: The program will be introduced by Andrea and myself.

CORRECT: The program will be introduced by Andrea and me.

Intensive pronouns are used to intensify or strengthen a statement.

I myself will have the first slice of cake.

The queen herself made an appearance at the ball.

Use pronouns correctly in a story. With a partner, write a story or series of related sentences using ten of the pronouns in the chart above, including at least one reflexive and one intensive pronoun. Read your story or sentences aloud to another pair. Have them check the sentences for correct usage.