

English pronouns - Personal pronouns

Definition of English Pronouns:

There are 5 forms of pronouns - Personal pronouns - in English: Subject pronouns, Object pronouns, possessive pronouns, reflexive pronouns, and relative pronouns. Possessive adjectives will also be discussed in this lesson.

It is important to know 5 forms of pronouns and the possessive adjectives because we are often confused with them.

Subject Pronouns:

I / You / We / They / She / He / It

The Subject Pronouns are used:

when it is a subject of a verb :
She lives in New York.

when the 2 subjects of the 2 clauses are compared :
They are taller than we (are).

After the verb to be :
It is he with the egg.

After as and than :
She is not as tired as he (is)

Object Pronouns:

me / you / us / them / her / him / it

The Object Pronouns are used:

when it is the direct object of a verb :
She gives him the books.

After prepositions:
when she returns, she takes over the books from him. But when the preposition introduces a new clause, the subject pronoun must be used because the pronoun is now the subject of the new clause.