

Focus

A **pronoun** is a word that **takes the place** of a **noun** (pro means in place of).



This is **my** ball. It is not **yours**. It is **mine**.

My, yours and **mine** are **possessive pronouns**. They tell us who something **belongs** to.

Here are some common **possessive pronouns**.

my mine your yours his her hers its our ours their theirs

Check it out

Copy these sentences. Underline the possessive pronouns in them.

The first one has been done for you.

1. This is my cup. It is mine.
2. That is your bag. It is yours.
3. The boy lost his shorts.
4. I asked her if the money was hers.
5. The alien held up its arms.
6. We took our picnic to the park.
7. The ball had their name on it so they knew it was theirs.
8. "You cannot have that toy. That toy is ours," Sam and Ben shouted.

Objectives

- ~ to identify pronouns and understand their functions in sentences
- ~ to notice how they replace nouns
- ~ to distinguish possessive pronouns



Practice

Copy these sentences in your book. Fill in each gap with a suitable possessive pronoun.

1. The children picked up _____ books and left.
2. The lady was sure the bag was _____.
3. Tom took _____ dog for a walk.
4. The ship has a hole in _____ side.
5. "This must be _____ because it has _____ name in it," the teacher said as she looked in Ben's book.
6. "We like _____ car best. We think _____ is the best car in town," Mr and Mrs Smith said.

Challenger

1. Find and write the two possessive pronouns hidden in each line.

- a) q w e m y r t p y o u r g n g i
- b) a s t h e i r s c v h e r d h k m
- c) i t s l k j h g f m i n e m n b j i
- d) k m n o u r a s y o u r s c x k
- e) v b c h i s m n b v h e r s a i z
- f) t r o u r s y t k l t h e i r f r e

2. Make up some sentences of your own. Use each possessive pronoun you found in question 1 at least once.



So – what have you learned about possessive pronouns?