



Pronouns are words that **take the place of a noun in a sentence**. They **avoid** the writer having to **repeat the name of things**. There are different types of pronouns such as **possessive pronouns** and **relative pronouns**.

1. Circle the pronouns in the sentences.

- a) Claire crept out of her room so she could see what was going on.
- b) Sam heard voices coming from outside and he couldn't wait to see if they belonged to his friends.
- c) She wanted to help her friend but she didn't know how to do that.
- d) Gemma bought Claire a present. It cost her a lot of money.
- e) He didn't like the look of his lunch nor did he enjoy its smell.
- f) The snow was deep so Danny put on his wellies. They were red with white polka dots.

2. Tick whether the underlined pronouns are relative or possessive.

	Relative	Possessive
Sammy put on the coat <u>that</u> he had had for years.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
She didn't want Claire to eat all <u>her</u> chocolates.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gemma grabbed <u>our</u> suitcases as we left.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holly, <u>who</u> had been waiting for hours, sat down to rest her legs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Add the most appropriate pronoun to the sentences below.

- a) Poppy was unable to see the key that _____ needed to open the door.
- b) Fatima wanted to leave _____ party because it was beginning to get dark.
- c) The house, _____ had recently been decorated, was the talk of the neighbourhood.
- d) The walls of the castle were crumbling and ivy had begun to cover _____ .
- e) He was starting to feel nervous so he rang _____ friend.

4. Complete the table by identifying who or what each highlighted pronoun is referring to in the paragraph below.

It is known as Sunnyside Lodge but there is no sun. In the freezing temperatures, the village that was once there, froze and wilted away a long time ago. The lodge and everyone in **it** had become nocturnal years ago, only seeing sunlight for a few hours a day. Packs of wolves patrol the outskirts of the land where the lodge sits - guarding **their** unpredictable and unforgiving terrain. Here's a good rule to remember about wolves: if you don't bother **them**, they won't bother you. Usually. They are shy creatures when it comes to humans. Usually. If you were to pass through their territory unarmed, **they** would hunt you and they would kill you. Always. This made the location of Sunnyside Lodge perfect for **its** purpose.



Sentence

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5. Rewrite the passage below changing some nouns into pronouns so it is no longer repetitive.

The giant wore old, ripped clothes that hung from the giant's massive frame. The giant's huge body blocked the light and cast an enormous shadow over the ground. On the giant's head, the giant had a hat that covered some of the giant's face. The hat didn't do a good job of disguising the giant's identity nor did the hat look very nice. The giant didn't have shoes so the giant had developed blistered, hardened skin on the giant's feet. The giant had a large, wooden stick that the giant used to walk with. The stick was as thick as a tree trunk and the stick did a good job of keeping him upright. Slowly, the giant turned to face the girl but the giant didn't notice the girl hiding in the corner. The girl thought the giant was strangest thing the girl had ever seen and the girl had seen plenty of strange things.



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