

Object Pronouns

I. Introduction

1) A subject is the person or thing that performs the action in the clause or sentence. A subject pronoun is a pronoun that takes the place of a noun as the subject of a sentence.

*She told **me** about her worries.*

2) Object pronouns are used to replace nouns that are the direct or indirect object of a clause. Study the following table:

Subject	Object
<i>I</i>	<i>me</i>
<i>you</i>	<i>you</i>
<i>he</i>	<i>him</i>
<i>she</i>	<i>her</i>
<i>it</i>	<i>it</i>
<i>we</i>	<i>us</i>
<i>they</i>	<i>them</i>

Object pronouns come either after a verb or a preposition.

*Ethan asked **me** to talk to **them**.*

Note that the subject pronoun *it* and the object pronoun *it* look the same.

*Do you know the movie 'Pretty Lady'? **It** is my favourite! (subject pronoun)*

*I've seen **it** many times. (object pronoun)*

Remember that object nouns are always the recipients of the action in sentences.

~~*He and me went to the movies.*~~ ***He and I*** went to the movies.

~~*Mrs. Keith called her and I.*~~ Mrs. Keith called ***her and me***.

We should replace the object with an object pronoun to avoid repetition.

*I can't stop thinking about Amy. ~~I can't stop imagining my future with Amy.~~ I can't stop imagining my future with **her**.*

Short Story Dialogue

– What should I get **them**? It's their anniversary but I can't think of a gift. It should be something cheap but yet memorable.

– Why don't you give **them** something that you made yourself? Maybe a poster with **their** photos that they haven't seen? I think they'll be happy to get **it**!

– I knew that I could turn to **you**! This is a great idea! I'll definitely do **it**.

Independent Practice

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- b. I can't find my glasses. Maybe that's because I'm wearing
- c. Is that Mike's new girlfriend? – Don't ask me, ask
- d. Why is he always talking about Liz? – He obviously likes
- e. Amy doesn't want to be in the same room with Nick and I think she doesn't like us.
- f. What's the title of the movie we saw last night? – I don't remember
- g. Your brothers are being very noisy. Could you ask to be quieter?
- h. I can't stop thinking about his words. It's been bugging for a long time.
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