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Nominal and modifiers

Pronouns

Object pronouns

🔶 Form

Pronouns	Singular	Plural
1st person	Me	Us
2nd person	You	You
3rd person:		
masculine	Him	Them
Feminine	Her	Them
neuter	lt	Them

🏓 Use

They are used as **direct** or **indirect complements** to the **object**. They are **always** placed after the verb.

When a verb is followed by a particle, the object pronoun is **always** put **between the verb and the particle**.

Example:

- She's looking at me.
- We'll pick you up at eight.
- I'll give **them** the papers.

Object pronouns – Exercise – Text transformation

Replace the complements with the appropriate personal pronouns:

Gary and Sandra have gone to lunch. You just missed (Gary and Sandra). Gary should be back by 3:00. Do you want to make an appointment with (Gary)? His personal assistant's name is Tracy. You can speak to (Tracy) now, if you'd like. But if you prefer to speak with Gary personally, you can meet with (Gary) this afternoon.





Reflexive pronouns

🄶 Form

Pronouns	Singular	Plural
1st person	Myself	Ourselves
2nd person	Yourself	Yourselves
3rd person:		
masculine	Himself	Themselves
Feminine	Herself	Themselves
neuter	Itself	Themselves

🔶 Use

Reflexive pronouns are used:

• When the **subject** and the **object** of a sentence are the same.

Example:

They hurt **themselves**. Now, tell me about **yourself**!

• To emphasize a person or thing in particular. In such a case, the reflexive pronoun is not the object of the verb.

Example: I can manage myself.

Reflexive pronouns – Exercises – Sentence practice

1. Rewrite as in the example:

He likes TV, doesn't he?	Everybody likes TV, don't they?
She protects herself, doesn't she?	
He enjoys himself, doesn't he?	
She asks herself questions, doesn't she?	

2. Express the following sentences in a different way:

I'd prefer him to go.	I'd rather he went.
We'd prefer you to wait for the mailman.	
He'd prefer them to get hold of Karen first.	
I'd prefer her to deal with that herself.	





Use of the pronoun 'one'

The pronoun '**one**' (or '**ones**' in the plural) is used after an adjective to replace:

•	A countable noun already expressed .	 Example: I bought a red shirt and a blue one. She saw some beautiful homes and some ugly ones too.
•	A noun that hasn't been expressed .	 Example: That's a nice one. The sensible ones have done their homework.

'One' is sometimes omitted in a question expressing a choice (with which one), in literary language, or, in a general sense, after a superlative.

Example:

- Which one will you take, the blue one or the yellow one?
- Spanish **bulls** are more fiery than Mexican ones. (D.H. Lawrence)
- Your suit is the **most** beautiful one.

Note: 'One' is not used to replace:

A noun indicating a person or a generalization.	 Example: A blond woman and a dark-haired woman. (instead of 'a dark-haired one'). American cars are often bigger than French cars. (instead of 'French ones').
An uncountable noun (after an adjective).	 Example: Italian coffee is stronger than American coffee.

Use of the pronoun 'one' – Exercise – Word order

use - one - easier to - Both - are excellent, - the - models - but - latest - is - .





Possessive pronouns

🄶 Form

Pronouns	Singular	Plural
1st person	Mine	Ours
2nd person	Yours	Yours
3rd person:		
masculine	His	Theirs
Feminine	Hers	Theirs
neuter	lts	Theirs



The **possessive pronoun** replaces a **noun phrase**. It is **never** preceded by a determiner. It **doesn't vary** in function with the nominal group that it replaces.

Example:

- This skirt is mine (my skirt).
- These skirts are **mine** (*my skirts*).

In the **third person singular**, the **possessive pronoun agrees** with the gender and number of the possessor.

Example:

- This is Edward's hat This is his.
- I like her shoes I like hers.

Possessive pronouns – Exercise – Grammar practice

Rewrite as in the example:

My sister's colleague	A colleague of my sister's
Dave's sister	
Their opinion	
Our habit	
Bridget's idea	
His sweater	
Auralog's competitor	





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'Everybody' - 'Nobody'

Everybody is the combination of **every** and **body**. **Everybody** (synonym of **everyone**) is **singular**.

Example: Everybody thinks he's clever.

In the negative form, everybody becomes nobody.

Nobody (synonym of **no one**) is **singular**. This pronoun is followed by a verb in the **positive form**.

Example: Nobody is home.

'Everybody' - 'Nobody' - Exercise - Text transformation

Put the following text into the negative form:

Somebody is available to deal with your call right now. Everybody is in the office today to help you out. Somebody said you were concerned that the order was delayed. Everybody is sure that the order has been dispatched. In fact, somebody in shipping has confirmed that. Indeed, it appears that somebody in the shipping division is aware of the problem. I'll make sure that everybody is told about this problem.





Relative pronouns and adverbs

A - The Relative Pronouns

Who is the relative subject pronoun (singular and plural) that refers to a person.	 <i>Example</i>: I like people who are honest.
 That and which are the relative subject pronouns and direct and indirect objects (singular and plural). That is restrictive, while which is not. 	 Example: She's reading a book that makes her laugh. The shoes, which I bought yesterday, hurt my feet.
 Whom is the relative indirect object pronoun (singular and plural) that refers to an animate antecedent. <u>Note:</u> Whom is often replaced by who. 	 Example: The boy whom you met is my cousin. Here is the woman whom you were looking at.
 Whose and of which replace a noun phrase object to the noun: Whose refers to an animate or inanimate antecedent. 	 Example: The girl whose dad is a scientist is very clever. (Animate antecedent.) Her room is the one whose door is locked. (Inanimate antecedent.)
Of which refers to an inanimate antecedent.	 Example: She's in the room the door of which is locked.
What and which are the relative subject and object pronouns (direct and indirect) that announce or continue previous clauses.	 Example: I don't understand what you're saying. Darkness is what I'm afraid of. He said he's lazy, which is true. She'll give a party, which I'm excited about.





B - The Relative Adverbs

•	When replaces an adverbial phrase of time.	 Example: The day when he arrived, his family wasn't there.
•	Where replaces an adverbial phrase of place.	 Example: We live in a place where the sun shines very often.
•	(The reason) why replaces an adverbial phrase of cause.	Example: I don't know why he's so angry.

Relative pronouns and Adverbs – Exercise – Sentence practice

1. Rewrite as in the example:

What time is the meeting? (to forget)	I forget what time the meeting is.	
Where is the trade show located? (to forget)		
How do you do this? (to forget)		
Why are you leaving? (to forget)		





'Which' - 'What'

'What' and 'which' may introduce non-interrogative clauses. In such a case:

•	'What,' which has no antecedent, introduces a relative clause which may be subject or object to the sentence's main verb.	 Example: What worries me is how he'll get here.
•	' Which' relates to an antecedent which may be a noun, noun phrase, or clause.	 Example: She often smiles, which is nice. You're inspecting the downtown branch, which has higher operating costs than the others.

In an interrogative clause:

 'What' is used generally to convey a choice between or among things. 	 Example: What books do you prefer? What kind of services do you want? What time do they open?
 'Which,' which may precede both things and people, conveys a choice between or among a limited number of possibilities. 	 Example: Which friend did you invite? Which of these shirts is yours? Which airline did you choose?
Note: 'Which' is sometimes followed by 'one'.	<i>Example</i> : Which one do you prefer?
Both 'which' and 'what' are used to talk about often interchangeable.	t choices. When used as question words, they are
Example:	

- What/which products are you interested in?
- What/which size would you prefer?

Note: 'What' usually refers to objects, and not people. 'Which' refers to both objects and people.

Example:

- Which colleagues are coming to the meeting?
- What file are you looking for?





There are small differences in meaning between 'which' and 'what'.

Generally, use 'what' to talk about a large and indefinite number of choices.
 Use 'which' when the number of choices is limited and definite. To ask for more information about available choices, you can follow 'what' with expressions such as kind/s of, sort/s of, or type/s of.

Example:

- What kinds of services do you offer? (Services are indefinite)
- What books do you recommend on the topic? (Any books, rather than specific books)
- What type of material is this made from?
- We have five different sizes. Which size do you prefer? (There are only five possible sizes)
- Which way should I turn when I get to Coldcreek Street? (Right or left?)

Note: You can only use which before the pronoun one.

Example:

- We have several colors available.
- Which one do you like best?
- When which refers to something mentioned immediately before, you may refer back to it without repeating the noun or using a pronoun.

Example:

- We have coffee, tea, o<mark>r mineral water.</mark>
- Which do you prefer?
- Which and what may fall before a given set of choices.

Example:

• Which do you think is more appropriate: an e-mail or a letter?

'Which' - 'What'- Exercise - The right word

We have small, medium, and large conference rooms. _____one would you prefer?

Which – What





'Which' - 'What'- Exercises - Fill in the blanks

_____ten percent off the price list? _____model did you have in mind? _____units did you have in mind? _____would you be using the phones? _____can you get back to me? _____of discount will you give us? _____is your fleet?

What - Where - How big - How many - What sort - How quickly - How about

'Which' - 'What' - Exercises - Word order

you - didn't - line - was - the - said - He - because - hear - what - bad.







Use of 'both'

'Both' is used in the following ways and refers to exactly two elements:

🕈 As an	adjective	 Example: Both children are sleeping. Both versions are identical.
➡ As a p	pronoun	 Example: Are you writing or listening? I'm doing both.

'Both of' + personal pronoun is used as a quantifier.

Example: Hands up! Both of you!

Use of 'both' – Exercise – Sentence practice

Rewrite as in the example:

My brother is as tall as my father.	Both my father and my brother are tall.
My friend is as beautiful as my sister.	
My father is as serious as <mark>my boss.</mark>	
My aunt is as boring as my teacher.	
Japanese is as difficult as Chinese.	
The subway is as crowded as the roads.	





Words ending in 'ever'

The suffix '-ever' is added to some relative pronouns, adjectives and adverbs, and interrogatives and may express one of two things:

•	Absence of restriction	 Example: Can I withdraw money whenever I like? Choose whichever book you like.
•	The idea of possibility in concessive clauses; words ending in '-ever' are in this case used with the auxiliary 'may', as in the structure 'however' + adjective or adverb	 Example: Whatever you may think, it was a mistake to trust him. However clever he may be, he can still do stupid things.

Words ending in 'ever'- Exercise - Fill in the blanks

hard you try, sometimes you just can't find the answer.	
solution you think of, there's always a problem.	
did I put that calculator?	
I need it, it's always 'somewhere safe'.	
might have borrowed it?	
did I do with that catalog?	

Whenever - Where - What - Whichever - Who - However





'Everybody' - 'Somebody' - 'Nobody'

'Everybody', 'somebody' and 'nobody' take singular verbs. However, the pronouns and adjectives that take the '-body' forms as their antecedents are often those of the third person plural.

Example:

- Everybody was enjoying themselves.
- Somebody has to go shopping, don't they?
- Nobody really knows, do they?

'Everybody' - 'Somebody' - 'Nobody' – Exercise – Sentence practice

Rewrite as in the example:

He likes TV, doesn't he?	Everybody likes TV, don't they?
He stays late a lot, doesn't he?	
He has a working lunch, doesn't he?	
She works out, doesn't she?	





The indefinite possessive

The expression 'a' + object + 'of' + subject + ''s' is used to express the possessive case when the object is indefinite.	Example: She's a colleague of my brother's.
 The similar expression 'a' + object + 'of' + possessive pronoun is used with possessive pronouns. 	Example: Peter is a nice cousin of mine .
This same construction is possible with the negative article 'no'.	<i>Example:</i> He is no friend of mine .

The infinitive possessive – Exercise – Grammar practice

Rewrite as in the example:

Her boss's idea My book My aunt's child Her camera The manager's priority The operators' decision	My sister's colleague	A colleague of	my sister's
My aunt's child Her camera The manager's priority	Her boss's idea		
Her camera The manager's priority	My book		
The manager's priority	My aunt's child		
	Her camera		
The operators' decision	The manager's priority		
	The operators' decision		

The infinitive possessive – Exercise – Word order

major - of - customer - went - ours - a - just - bankrupt





The infinitive possessive – Exercise – Text transformation

Rewrite the text using "of + possessive pronoun":

Coming to the trade show to present ourselves as a leading service provider was one of my ideas. Indeed, our objective has always been to strengthen our market position. One of the sales department's key aspirations is to define strategic approaches to selling. Moreover, initiating useful contacts is one of the marketing director's ambitions. Another one of our aims is to offer clients pertinent business prospects.







Nouns

Invariable cardinal numbers

•	When preceded by specific quantities or by 'several' or 'a few', 'dozen', 'hundred', 'thousand', and 'million' are invariable.	 Example: I bought two dozen eggs. His purchase volume is around \$2 million. Several hundred people came.
•	The same numbers become plural when followed by 'of .'	 Example: The system allows millions of people to send each other messages.

Invariable cardinal numbers– Exercise – Fill in the blanks

We2000	and we plan to	10 percent with	
So we're	at two	, right?	
We can	you a good	on two h	undred.
Looking	your catalog,	the GSM 41P looks quite	
That model's no longer		·	
hundred energies equir	looking through avai	labla givo attractivo r	rico cor nhonos

hundred - operate - equip - looking - through - available - give - attractive - price - car phones – vehicles

Invariable cardinal numbers– Exercise – Word order

hundred - still - in - over - two - we - have - stock.





Nouns without singular forms

Some **plural nouns** have **no singular forms**. These include the following:

 Certain nouns referring to objects composed of two symmetrical parts, e.g. 'jeans', 'shorts', 'pajamas', 'pants', or 'scissors'. 	
Note : When used as countable nouns, such nouns are preceded by ' a pair of '.	 Example: My pants are too short. She bought two pairs of scissors.
Certain collective nouns, e.g. 'clothes', 'goods,' 'people,' 'cattle,' or 'poultry'.	 Example: People are very friendly here.
Note:	
At times, 'people' is the plural form of 'person'.	<i>Example:</i>There were ten people at the party.
'Head of cattle', in which 'head' is invariable, is the singular of 'cattle'.	• They have ten head of cattle .
The rare 'article of clothing' is the singular of 'clothes'.	
'savings', 'riches' and 'remains'	Example:
	• She used her savings to invest in a start-up.





Nouns and adjectives of nationality

English **nouns** and **adjectives of nationality** can be divided into the following four categories:

	In certain cases, only an adjective exists. To	Example:
	form the noun form, another noun , which	• I'm English.
	designates some category of person, is	• Yesterday, I met an English woman.
	added.	• The English are fond of tea.
•	In such a case, the collective noun is formed using ' the' + adjective .	
•	In other cases, the singular noun and the	Example:
	adjective are identical. The collective is	• I married a Norwegian.
	expressed using 'the' + the plural noun form.	• The Norwegians are used to the cold.
•	Sometimes, the singular noun differs from	Example:
	the adjective and the collective noun form is	• A Spaniard is coming tonight.
	' the ' + the plural noun .	• The Spanish government.
		• The Spaniards have lunch at 2 p.m.
•	Finally, sometimes the noun, adjective, and	Example:
	collective forms are all identical.	• I bought some Portuguese wine.
		• The Portuguese are a warm people.
No	t <u>e</u> :	Example:
Adj	ectives of nationality are capitalized.	• He speaks French , Russian and Chinese .
Ma	ny nationality adjectives are identical to the	
	uns designating the corresponding languages.	
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Nouns and adjectives of nationality- Exercise - Grammar practice

Rewrite as in the example:

Irish	Ireland
Italian	
Turkish	
Algerian	
Scottish	
Portuguese	
Mexican	





Singular nouns in '-s'

Some nouns end in '-s' in the singular.

The uncountable noun 'news' is always singular.	 Example: I watch the six o'clock news. (singular use, plural sense) This is an interesting piece of news (singular use, singular sense) 	
'Means' may be singular or plural.	 Example: Subways are an excellent means of transport in cities. (singular use, singular sense) 	
	 Use whatever means are necessary. (plural use, plural sense) 	

Singular nouns in '-s' – Exercise – The right word

_travels fast!

A snail - Heavy traffic - Income tax - Bad news - The mailman





Uncountable nouns which may take 'a'

- Uncountable nouns are usually not preceded by an indefinite article (e.g., 'a').
- There are however exceptions; these include 'pity', 'shame', 'disgrace', 'relief', 'hurry', 'waste', 'mess', 'fuss', and 'shambles'.

Example:

- What a pity!
- This is such a waste of time!
- He's in a big hurry.

Uncountable nouns which may take 'a'- Exercise - Sentence practice

Rewrite as in the example:

It's (pity) that Al couldn't come.	It's a pity that Al couldn't come.
What (terrible weather) we've been having.	
The office was (mess) this morning.	
It's (hard work) organizing a trade show!	
What (luck) you had!	
That's (relief).	
What (shame) you can't be there.	





Adjectives

Order of adjectives

Attributive adjectives precede the nouns they modify. When several attributives are present, the one on which one places the most emphasis goes closest to the noun.

Example: Look at this **beautiful little** girl.

A few rules follow:

Adjectives of color, origin, composition and function are normally placed in that order and directly before the noun they modify.	 Example: Black Spanish leather walking boots 	
'First,' 'last' and 'next' usually precede any other adjectives present (e.g., numbers).	 Example: The monthly payments are high during the first two years only. That was the first American space capsule. 	
Adjectives expressing judgments precede any others present.	 Example: I have a huge red suitcase. 	
<u>Note</u>: Adjectives of equal importance are separated by commas .	 Example: A long, difficult exercise. It's a nice, well-equipped, four-room apartment. 	

Order of adjectives – Exercise – Word order

month's - to - trade - I'm - in - reference - calling - last - show





Use of the past participle as an adjective

A - Formation

Certain **past participles** may be used as **adjectives**.

The past participles of regular verbs are formed by adding '-ed' or '-d' to their infinitives.	 <u>Example:</u> enjoyed (to enjoy) created (to create) designed (to design) liked (to like)
The past participles of irregular verbs follow no general rules.	 Example: come (to come) made (to make) taken (to take) gone (to go)

B - Use

Past participles used as adjectives usually have passive meanings.

Example:

- Your **soiled** clothes are in the laundry.
- I will fix the **broken** cup.

Use of the past participle as an adjective – Exercise – Grammar practice

Conjugate as in the example:

l (to arrive)	I had arrived
It (to rain)	
She (to risk)	
He (to hurry)	
You (to use)	
They (to take)	
We (to talk)	





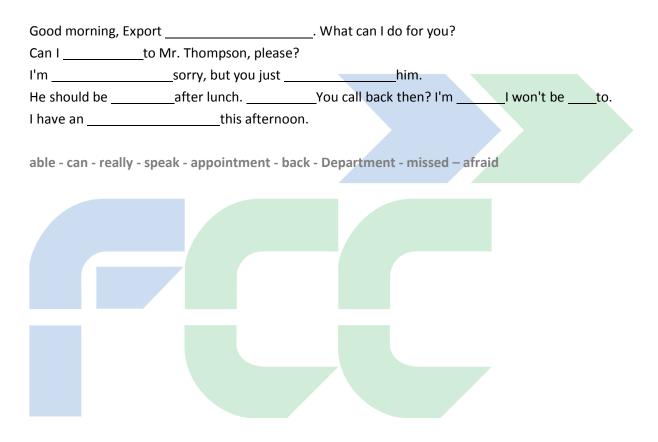
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Use of the past participle as an adjective – Exercise – The right word

I ______to drop by last week, but I was too busy.

have been liking - had liked - was liking - would have liked - have liked

Use of the past participle as an adjective – Exercise – Fill in the blanks







Adjectives ending in -ing

Gerunds ('-ing' verb forms) may be used as adjectives. They generally have active meanings in this case.

Example:

- This view is really **exhilarating**.
- That was a **disappointing** day.
- These self-sticking stamps don't stick!

Adjectives ending in -ing - Exercise - Grammar practice

Give the present participle of the following verbs:

the (to change) seasons	the changing seasons	
a (to decide) match		
a (to love) friend		
a (to try) day		
a (to worry) event		
a (to welcome) living room		
the (to come) wee <mark>ks</mark>		

Adjectives ending in -ing - Exercise - The right word

_departments are in charge of deliveries.

Shipping - Accounting - Legal - Customer Service - Marketing





Verbs expressing impressions and feelings

Verbs expressing **impressions** and **feelings**- 'to look', 'to sound', 'to smell', 'to taste', 'to feel'- may be followed by:

The preposition 'like'	 Example: He looks like his father. It sounds like you're angry. It smells like smoke. It feels like velvet. This cake tastes just like the one I had yesterday. 	
'as if / as though'	 Example: You look as if you didn't (or don't) understand me. It sounds as if you weren't (or aren't) listening to me. It smelt as if she had burnt something. These potatoes taste as if I added too much salt. I felt as if I were (or was) going to fall asleep. 	
▶ an adjective	 Example: He looks happy. This ice cream tastes very good. It feels funny to write with my left hand. I felt so sick! 	

<u>Note</u>: 'To be', 'to seem', and 'to appear' (all of which can indicate impressions) may also be followed by 'like' and 'as if'.

Example:

- What was the dinner like?
- She seems as if she's going to get very mad.





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Verbs expressing impressions and feelings – Exercise – Sentence practice Answer the question as in the example:

Is that Bill Clinton? (to look)	No, but he looks like Bill Clinton.
Is that chocolate? (to taste)	
Is that cotton? (to seem)	
Is that Mozart? (to sound)	

Verbs expressing impressions and feelings – Exercise – Text transformation

Put the following text into the present indicative:

The CEO wasn't accepting any incoming calls. He looked as though he was particularly absorbed in his work. It seemed that an announcement of great importance for the company was imminent. It certainly appeared that there was something serious about to take place. He said he felt that important changes were necessary in the export department. It appeared that he was right since it was less than effective. He sounded convinced of his intention to implement drastic changes. I hoped the export department felt ready to face the bad news.







Determiners

Possessive adjectives

Pronouns	Singular	Plural
1st person	Му	Our
2nd person	Your	Your
3rd person:		
masculine	His	Their
Feminine	Her	Their
neuter	lts	Their

The possessive adjective precedes a **noun phrase**. It **never** agrees with the noun that follows.

Example:

- I like **my** suit I like **my** suits.
- She's visiting our house She's visiting our houses.

Possessive adjectives – Exercise – Sentence practice

Rewrite the following sentences as in the example:

Mrs. Thorson's line is busy.	Her line is busy.
Mr. Wilson's schedule is full on Tuesday.	
Ms. Jensen's office is down the hall on the left.	
I am Mr. Carver and Mr. Wilson's personal assistant.	





Demonstratives

Form

The **demonstratives** 'this' and 'that' may be used as **adjectives** or as **pronouns**. Their **singular** and **plural** forms are as follows:

Singular	Plural
This	These
That	Those

🏓 Use

'This' implies proximity in space or time.	 Example: I think we met this morning. These muffins look good. This is a pencil sharpener.
'That' implies distance in space or time.	 Example: That evening, you are invited to a cocktail party. Those exercises were difficult. That's a nice car!







The article and geographical names

 In front of the singular name of a country (or a continent or region), no article is used. 	 Example: France, Great Britain, Spain, Germany, Japan, America, Wales. Exceptions: the Sahara, the United Kingdom ('kingdom' is a common noun in origin), the Congo, the Tyrol, the South Pole
 In front of a plural name of a country, an article is always used. Abbreviations of countries' names (or of continents and regions) are preceded by an article (the U.K., the U.S.). <u>Note:</u> Countries that take a plural name are collective nouns and are often followed by a verb in the singular. 	 Example: The United States, the West Indies, The Philippines (the Philippine Islands). Example: The United States is a federation of several states.
 Names of oceans, seas and rivers are always preceded by the article 'the', but names of lakes and ponds never have an article. <u>Note</u>: Most geographical names don't have an article, except if they are preceded by 'of' or if they are in the plural. (Cape Cod, the Great Lakes) The names of streets, squares, monuments and parks are not, in general, preceded by an article, except if they contain the preposition 'of,' or, in certain cases, if it refers to foreign names. 	 <u>Example:</u> Fifth Avenue, Hyde Park, Westminster Abbey the Statue of Liberty, the Champs-Elysées <u>Note</u>: the White House, the Kremlin





Nominal and modifiers - C1 level

The article and geographical names – Exercise – Word order

cars - in - have - United - do - how - you - many - the - States?







'Few' - 'A few' - 'Many'

The indefinite adjectives (or pronouns) few, a few and many express a notion of quantity and are used before a countable plural noun.

•	Few is used to stress a very small quantity.	 Example: He has few friends.
•	A few is used to stress a small quantity, but contrary to few, it is only a simple statement.	 Example: He has a few friends abroad. The few people I met have gone.
•	When a few is used with the, these or those , the indefinite article a disappears.	
•	Many is used when describing a large quantity.	 Example: There are many companies in that area.

<u>Note</u>:

• Often, in the affirmative form, many is replaced by a lot of (or lots of) or plenty of.

Example: She has lots of friends.

When the noun is **understood**, the indefinite adjectives become indefinite pronouns.

Example: These students are working hard and **many** (students) are quite clever.

'Few' - 'A few' - 'Many'- Exercises - Word order

we - won't - the - have - until - many - that - fifteenth.

2. _

fallen - orders - so - a - many - that - taken - we've - little - we've - behind.





'Little' - 'A little' - 'Much'

The indefinite adjectives (or pronouns) **little**, a **little** and **much** express a **notion of quantity** and are used before an **uncountable singular noun**.

•	Little is used to stress a very small quantity.	<i>Example</i>:There is very little juice left.
•	A little is used when describing a small quantity, but contrary to little, it is only a simple statement.	 Example: There is a little juice in the fridge, if you want.
•	Much is used when describing a large quantity.	 Example: We have much work to do today. There isn't much coffee left.

<u>Note:</u>

• Often, in the affirmative form, much is replaced by a lot of or plenty of.

Example: There's a lot of tea in China.

When the noun is **understood**, the indefinite adjectives become indefinite pronouns.

Example: There is **little** (juice) left.

'Little' - 'A little' - 'Much' – Exercise – Fill in the blanks

Buying your first car is _exciting than buying your second.		
A motorbike is far and	the most dangerous form of transport. The market is	
better than it was last year.		
Sending a letter is even	than sending a fax.	
The old model is not expensive as taking the train.	as impressive as the new one. Flying is threeas	

slower - times - much - nearly - far more - away

'Little' - 'A little' - 'Much' – Exercise – Word order

a - running - anyway, - I'm - little - late





'A little' - 'A bit'

'A little' is used with uncountable nouns to designate a small quantity. It may also replace nouns to avoid repetition.	 Example: We wanted a little fresh air. Do you want some coffee? A little, please.
'A little' is also an adverb of degree used before adjectives and after verbs.	 Example: We're a little busy today. This tooth aches a little.
'A bit' often replaces 'a little' in speech.	 Example: It's a bit bright but it looks nice.
Note: 'A bit' is followed by 'of' before nominal groups and pronouns.	 Example: I have a bit of work to do. Do you want some cake? I still have a bit of it.

'A little' - 'A bit' – Exercise – Sentence practice

Rewrite as in the example:

He looks tired. (little)	He looks a little tired.
There's still food <mark>on the ta</mark> ble. (bit)	
Do you want more? (little)	
It costs more than usual. (bit)	

'A little' - 'A bit' - 'Many'- Exercise - Word order

2. _____

our - because - I'm - bit - arrived - hasn't - order - a - worried - yet.





Different meanings of 'all'

'All' precedes and modifies uncountable or plural countable nouns. When it designates all of something limited, the noun follows 'the' or a demonstrative or possessive adjective.	 Example: The cat drank all the milk. Make sure you take all your pills!
Note: When 'all' modifies something unlimited, no article precedes the noun.	 Example: All children like sweets. The Internet has spread to all sectors of the population.
 'All' may also be used in two ways with personal pronouns: personal pronoun + 'all', or 'all of' + personal pronoun. 	 Example: Have you read these books? I've read them all. Or I've read all of them.
When 'all' is used with a subject pronoun, it may occupy various positions in the sentence. It is placed either before a simple verb, or after a modal, an auxiliary, or 'to be'.	 Example: The girls all left early. We will all have some tomato juice. They're all ready to go.
Note : In a short answer, ' all ' precedes the auxiliary, modal, or 'to be'.	 Example: Did you guys go to the movies with your friends? Yes, we all did.
'All' may be used as an object pronoun.	 Example: That's all we have. That's all we need. Note: In such cases, 'all' is in fact short for 'all that'.





Different meanings of 'all' – Exercise – Sentence practice

Put the following phrases in the right order:

(that's / we have) all	That's all we have.
(in this area / the Australians / live) all	
(in this area / they / live) all	
(my friend / them / saw) all	







Nominal and modifiers - solutions

Pronouns - Solutions

Objects pronouns - Solutions

Object pronouns – Exercise – Text transformation

Replace the complements with the appropriate personal pronouns:

Gary and Sandra have gone to lunch. You just missed (Gary and Sandra). Gary should be back by 3:00. Do you want to make an appointment with (Gary)? His personal assistant's name is Tracy. You can speak to (Tracy) now, if you'd like. But if you prefer to speak with Gary personally, you can meet with (Gary) this afternoon.

Gary and Sandra have gone to lunch. You just missed them. Gary should be back by 3:00. Do you want to make an appointment with him? His personal assistant's name is Tracy. You can speak to her now, if you'd like. But if you prefer to speak with Gary personally, you can meet with him this afternoon.

Reflexive pronouns - Solutions

Reflexive pronouns – Exercises – Sentence practice

1. Rewrite as in the example:

He likes TV, doesn't he?	Everybody likes TV, don't they?
She protects herself, doesn't she?	Everybody protects themselves, don't they?
He enjoys himself, doesn't he?	Everybody enjoys themselves, don't they?
She asks herself questions, doesn't she?	Everybody asks themselves questions, don't they?

2. Express the following sentences in a different way:

I'd prefer him to go.	I'd rather he went.
We'd prefer you to wait for the mailman.	We'd rather you waited for the mailman.
He'd prefer them to get hold of Karen first.	He'd rather they got hold of Karen first.
I'd prefer her to deal with that herself.	I'd rather she dealt with that herself.





Nominal and modifiers - C1 level

Use of the pronoun 'one' - Solutions Use of the pronoun 'one' – Exercise – Word order

Both models are excellent, but the latest one is easier to use.

Possessive pronouns - Solutions

Possessive pronouns – Exercise – Grammar practice

Rewrite as in the example:

My sister's colleague	A colleague of my sister's
Dave's sister	A sister of Dave's
Their opinion	An opinion of theirs
Our habit	A habit of ours
Bridget's idea	An idea of Bridget's
His sweater	A sweater of his
Auralog's competitor	A competitor of Auralog's

'Everybody' – 'Nobody'- Solutions

'Everybody' – 'Nobody' – Exercise – Text transformation

Put the following text into the negative form:

Somebody is available to deal with your call right now. Everybody is in the office today to help you out. Somebody said you were concerned that the order was delayed. Everybody is sure that the order has been dispatched. In fact, somebody in shipping has confirmed that. Indeed, it appears that somebody in the shipping division is aware of the problem. I'll make sure that everybody is told about this problem.

Nobody is available to deal with your call right now. Nobody is in the office today to help you out. Nobody said you were concerned that the order was delayed. Nobody is sure that the order has been dispatched. In fact, nobody in shipping has confirmed that. Indeed, it appears that nobody in the shipping division is aware of the problem. I'll make sure that nobody is told about this problem.





Relative pronouns and Adverbs - Solutions

Relative pronouns and Adverbs – Exercise – Sentence practice

2. Rewrite as in the example:

What time is the meeting? (to forget)	I forget what time the meeting is.
Where is the trade show located? (to forget)	I forget where the trade show is located.
How do you do this? (to forget)	I forget how you do this. I forget how to do this.
Why are you leaving? (to forget)	I forget why you are leaving. I forget why you're leaving.

'Which' – 'What'- Solutions

'Which' - 'What'– Exercise – The right word

We have small, medium, and large conference rooms. Which one would you prefer?

'Which' - 'What'- Exercise - Fill in the blanks

How about ten percent off the price list?
What model did you have in mind?
How many units did you have in mind?
Where would you be using the phones?
How quickly can you get back to me?
What sort of discount will you give us?
How big is your fleet?

'Which' - 'What' – Exercise – Word order

He didn't hear what you said because the line was bad.





Use of 'both' - Solutions

Use of 'both' - Exercise - Sentence practice

1. Rewrite as in the example:

My brother is as tall as my father.	Both my father and my brother are tall.
My friend is as beautiful as my sister.	Both my sister and my friend are beautiful.
	Both my friend and my sister are beautiful.
My father is as serious as my boss.	Both my boss and my father are serious.
	Both my father and my boss are serious.
My aunt is as boring as my teacher.	Both my teacher and my aunt are boring.
	Both my aunt and my teacher are boring.
Japanese is as difficult as Chinese.	Both Japanese and Chinese are difficult.
	Both Chinese and Japanese are difficult.
The subway is as crowded as the roads.	Both the subway and the roads are crowded.
	Both the roads and the subway are crowded.

Words ending in 'ever'- Solutions Words ending in 'ever'– Exercise – Fill in the blanks

However hard you try, sometimes you just can't find the answer.
Whichever solution you think of, there's always a problem.
Where did I put that calculator?
Whenever I need it, it's always 'somewhere safe'.
Who might have borrowed it?
What did I do with that catalog?





'Everybody' - 'Somebody' - 'Nobody' - Solutions

'Everybody' - 'Somebody' - 'Nobody' – Exercise – Sentence practice

Rewrite as in the example:

He likes TV, doesn't he?	Everybody likes TV, don't they?
He stays late a lot, doesn't he?	Everybody stays late a lot, don't they?
He has a working lunch, doesn't he?	Everybody has a working lunch, don't they?
She works out, doesn't she?	Everybody works out, don't they?

The infinitive possessive - Solutions

The infinitive possessive – Exercise – Grammar practice *Rewrite as in the example:*

My sister's colleague	A colleague of my sister's
Her boss's idea	An idea of her boss's
My book	A book of mine
My aunt's child	A child of my aunt's
Her camera	A camera of hers
The manager's priority	A priority of the manager's
The operators' decision	A decision of the operators'

The infinitive possessive – Exercise – Word order

A major customer of ours just went bankrupt.





The infinitive possessive – Exercise – Text transformation

Rewrite the text using "of + possessive pronoun":

Coming to the trade show to present ourselves as a leading service provider was one of my ideas. Indeed, our objective has always been to strengthen our market position. One of the sales department's key aspirations is to define strategic approaches to selling. Moreover, initiating useful contacts is one of the marketing director's ambitions. Another one of our aims is to offer clients pertinent business prospects.

Coming to the trade show to present ourselves as a leading service provider was an idea of mine. Indeed, an objective of ours has always been to strengthen our market position. A key aspiration of theirs is to define strategic approaches to selling. Moreover, an ambition of his is to initiate useful contacts. Another aim of ours is to offer clients pertinent business prospects.

Nouns – Solutions

Invariable cardinal numbers - Solutions Invariable cardinal numbers - Exercises - Fill in the blanks

We **operate** 2000 **vehicles** and we plan to **equip** 10 percent with **car phones** . So we're **looking** at two **hundred**, right? We can **give** you a good **price** on two hundred. Looking **through** your catalog, the GSM 41P looks quite **attractive**. That model's no longer **available**.

Invariable cardinal numbers- Exercises - Word order

We still have over two hundred in stock.





Nouns and adjectives of nationality - Solutions

Nouns and adjectives of nationality– Exercise – Grammar practice *Rewrite as in the example:*

Irish	Ireland
Italian	Italy
Turkish	Turkey
Algerian	Algeria
Scottish	Scotland
Portuguese	Portugal
Mexican	Mexico

Singular nouns in '-s' - Solutions

Singular nouns in '-s' – Exercises– The right word

Bad news travels fast!

Uncountable nouns which may take 'a' - Solutions

Uncountable nouns which may take 'a'– Exercise – Sentence practice

Rewrite as in the example:

It's (pity) that Al couldn't come.	It's a pity that Al couldn't come.
What (terrible weather) we've been having.	What terrible weather we've been having. What terrible weather we have been having.
The office was (mess) this morning.	The office was a mess this morning.
It's (hard work) organizing a trade show!	It's hard work organizing a trade show!
What (luck) you had!	What luck you had!
That's (relief).	That's a relief.
What (shame) you can't be there.	What a shame you can't be there.





Nominal and modifiers - C1 level

Adjectives - Solutions

Order of adjectives - Solutions Order of adjectives - Exercise - Word order

I'm calling in reference to last month's trade show.

Use of the past participle as an adjectives - Solutions

Use of the past participle as an adjective – Exercise – Sentence practice *Conjugate as in the example:*

I (to arrive)	I had arrived	
It (to rain)	it had rained	
She (to risk)	she had risked	
He (to hurry)	he had hurried	
You (to use)	you had used	
They (to take)	they had taken	
We (to talk)	we had talked	

Use of the past participle as an adjective – Exercise – The right word

I would have liked to drop by last week, but I was too busy.

Use of the past participle as an adjective – Exercise – Fill in the blanks

Good morning, Export **Department.** What can I do for you? Can I **speak** to Mr. Thompson, please? I'm **really** sorry, but you just **missed** him. He should be **back** after lunch. **Can** you call back then? I'm **afraid** I won't be **able** to. I have an **appointment** this afternoon.





Adjectives ending in -ing - Solutions

Adjectives ending in -ing - Exercise - Grammar practice Give the present participle of the following verbs:

the (to change) seasons	the changing seasons
A (to decide) match	A deciding match
A (to love) friend	A loving friend
A (to try) day	A trying day
A (to worry) event	A worrying event
A (to welcome) living room	A welcoming living room
The (to come) weeks	The coming weeks

Adjectives ending in -ing - Exercise - The right word

Shipping departments are in charge of deliveries.

Verbs expressing impressions and feelings - Solutions Verbs expressing impressions and feelings – Exercise – Sentence practice Answer the question as in the example:

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Is that Bill Clinton? (to look)	No, but he looks like Bill Clinton.
Is that chocolate? (to taste)	No, but it tastes like chocolate.
Is that cotton? (to seem)	No, but it seems like cotton.
Is that Mozart? (to sound)	No, but it sounds like Mozart.





Verbs expressing impressions and feelings – Exercise – Text transformation

Put the following text into the present indicative:

The CEO wasn't accepting any incoming calls. He looked as though he was particularly absorbed in his work. It seemed that an announcement of great importance for the company was imminent. It certainly appeared that there was something serious about to take place. He said he felt that important changes were necessary in the export department. It appeared that he was right since it was less than effective. He sounded convinced of his intention to implement drastic changes. I hoped the export department felt ready to face the bad news.

The CEO isn't accepting any incoming calls. He looks as though he is particularly absorbed in his work. It seems that an announcement of great importance for the company is imminent. It certainly appears that there is something serious about to take place. He says he feels that important changes are necessary in the export department. It appears that he is right since it is less than effective. He sounds convinced of his intention to implement drastic changes. I hope the export department feels ready to face the bad news.

Determiners - Solutions

Possessive adjectives - Solutions

Possessive adjectives – Exercise – Sentence practice

Rewrite the following sentences as in the example:

Mrs. Thorson's line is busy.	Her line is busy.
Mr. Wilson's schedule is full on Tuesday.	His schedule is full on Tuesday.
Ms. Jensen's office is down the hall on the left.	Her office is down the hall on the left.
I am Mr. Carver and Mr. Wilson's personal assistant.	I am their personal assistant.

The article and geographical names - Solutions The article and geographical names – Exercise – Word order

How many cars do you have in the United States?





'Few' - 'A few' - 'Many' - Solutions

'Few' - 'A few' - 'Many'- Exercises - Word order

- 1. We won't have that many until the fifteenth.
- 2. We've taken so many orders that we've fallen a little behind
- 3. Give me a few days and I'll come up with a solution.

'Little' - 'A little - 'Much' - Solutions 'Little' - 'A little' - 'Much' - Exercise - Fill in the blanks

Buying your first car is **far more** exciting than buying your second.

A motorbike is far and **away** the most dangerous form of transport.

The market is **much** better than it was last year. Sending a letter is even **slower** than sending a fax. The old model is not **nearly** as impressive as the new one. Flying is three **times** as expensive as taking the train.

'Little' - 'A little' - 'Much' – Exercise – Word order

Anyway, I'm running a littl<mark>e late.</mark>

'A little' – 'A bit' - Solutions

'A little' - 'A bit' – Exercise – Sentence practice

Rewrite as in the example:

He looks tired. (little)	He looks a little tired.
There's still food on the table. (bit)	There's still a bit of food on the table.
	There is still a bit of food on the table.
Do you want more? (little)	Do you want a little more?
It costs more than usual. (bit)	It costs a bit more than usual.

'A little' - 'A bit' - 'Many'– Exercise – Word order

- 1. My appointment's for 3.15, but I'm a little early
- 2. I'm a bit worried because our order hasn't arrived yet.





Different meanings of 'all' - Solutions

Different meanings of 'all' – Exercise – Sentence practice

Put the following phrases in the right order:

(that's / we have) all	That's all we have.
(in this area / the Australians / live) all	All the Australians live in this area.
	The Australians all live in this area.
(in this area / they / live) all	They all live in this area.
(my friend / them / saw) all	My friend saw them all.











