

Grammar Studies

Learning Goals:

To gain and demonstrate an understanding of Pronoun Usage

Testing:

- Test yourself by using the exercises in the book.

Exercises

Read Chapters 30 in your text—Solving Pronoun Problems. (**Section 7.9, 5th Edition**) This chapter that introduces a number of concepts related to pronouns. Becoming aware of pronoun agreement can quickly improve your writing. It's easy to make mistakes with pronouns in writing because we don't always speak the way we write.

Here's an example of some of the agreement problems you'll see in this chapter –

“Everyone get out their pens.”—The difficulty with this sentence is that the word “Everyone” is singular while the word “their” is plural. The pronouns must agree in number, but they don't. The quick fix is to rewrite the sentence – “Get out your pens” is better than “Everyone get out his or her pen”, but either is correct.

Chapter 30: Solving Pronoun Problems. Complete Exercises 30.1* to 30.7 and 30.9-12* as needed until you feel you have a comfortable grasp of the concepts. (**Section 7.9, 7.9.1 to 7.9.13, 5th Edition**) You'll find some a lot easier than others, so don't spend more time than you need to on concepts that you're clear on.

For more practice with Pronouns on-line visit

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