

Object Pronouns

Teaching

Object pronouns are personal pronouns used as direct objects, as indirect objects, or as the objects of prepositions.

Object Pronouns	
Singular	Plural
me	us
you	you
him, her, it	them

As a **direct object**, the pronoun receives the action of a verb and answers the question *whom* or *what*. As an **indirect object**, the pronoun tells *to whom* or *what* or *for whom* or *what* an action is performed. As an **object of a preposition**, the pronoun follows a preposition such as *to*, *from*, *for*, *against*, *by*, *between*, or *about*.

Direct object	Matt bought the camera on <u>display</u> . (<i>What did he buy? camera</i>)
Indirect object	He loaned <u>me</u> the camera. (<i>To whom did he loan? me</i>)
Object of the preposition	I borrowed the camera from <u>him</u> several times.

A. Identifying Object Pronouns

Underline all the object pronouns in the following sentences.

1. Matt's family is very large, and he takes many pictures of them.
2. He gives them pictures for their photo albums.
3. I suggested to him that he might enjoy taking pictures of famous buildings around town too.
4. When he visited downtown, he gave it a try.
5. Later he showed me some pictures of the buildings he had shot.
6. I liked them and so did the judges at a local contest where Matt won first prize.

B. Using Object Pronouns

Underline the correct pronoun to complete each sentence.

1. Mariah's parents built a photography lab for (she, her) in the basement.
2. They bought (her, she) film, paper, and photography chemicals.
3. Mariah thanked (them, they) once she saw what they had done.
4. She had a roll of film and wanted to develop (them, it) right away.
5. Mariah's parents were impressed when she showed (they, them) her pictures.
6. No one taught (her, she) the rules for developing pictures.
7. She learned (they, them) by herself.