

## LEVEL 1 - PRONOUN CONSISTENCY

Directions: Read the given sentence. Identify the appropriate pronoun to use in the provided space. Then, label this pronoun with its respective terminology (Subject, Object, etc.) Finally, justify your reasoning for selecting this choice.

1. See that young lady smacking her lips? It might have been She who stole your jelly donut.

A. she      B. her

Type of Pronoun: ~~3rd~~ 3rd person  
singular subject

Explain: She is the subject pronoun  
might have been = helping

2. Clarisse shrugged her shoulders and shook her head. Neither \_\_\_\_\_ nor Jermaine knew the answer to question 5 on the quiz.

A. she      B. her

Type of Pronoun: 3rd person  
subject

Explain: subject pronoun

3. Kettia's favorite color is peach, so I'd guess that this pretty orange sweater is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. hers      B. her's      C. hers'

Type of Pronoun: 3rd person  
possessive

Explain: There are no apostrophes  
in possessive 3rd person

4. Don't bother offering to help Dwayne with that heavy branch. He insists on dragging it to the road \_\_\_\_\_.

A. himself      B. hisself      C. his self

Type of Pronoun: 3rd person  
reflexive

Explain: does action to  
himself.

5. Brianna shot Nate a dirty look across the restaurant table. She found \_\_\_\_\_ slurping the squid eyeball stew rude and embarrassing.

A. him      B. his

Type of Pronoun: 3rd person  
object

Explain: Object pronoun.

## LEVEL 2 - PRONOUN CONSISTENCY

Directions: **Evaluate** the given sentences. **Decide** which option is most appropriate and **explain** your reasoning using language from our guided notes.

1. To complete our Egyptian mummy costumes, Lou Ellen and I bought a 12 pack of toilet paper.       A. I      B. me      C. myself

Explain: I is the subject pronoun  
1st person

2. It was \_\_\_\_\_ who ate your leftover slices of pepperoni pizza.

A.      B. me      C. myself

Explain: I ate your leftovers - subject pronoun following linking verb.

3. Grandma asked my brother and \_\_\_\_\_ to buy cherry cough drops while we were at the drugstore.      A. I       B. me      C. myself

Explain: me object pronoun

4. That's not what happened! It was \_\_\_\_\_ who shoved straws up my nose and began barking like a walrus!       A.      B. me      C. myself

Explain: I subject pronoun

5. When I was a child, Grandpa was unhappy with \_\_\_\_\_ excavating his rose garden in the hopes of finding dinosaur bones.      A. me       B. my      C. myself

Explain:

my possessive pronoun

my describes  
what excavating

### LEVEL 3 - PRONOUN CONSISTENCY

Directions: **Evaluate** the given sentences. **Decide** which option is most appropriate and **explain** your reasoning using language from our guided notes.

1. Oblivious to the consequences, Erica and Teresa spend all of history class chattering in the back row. \_\_\_\_\_ constant gossiping inspires Mrs. David to look extra hard for points to deduct when she grades their essays.

- A. They      B. Them      C. Their

Explain: possessive for gossiping. whose gossiping?

2. Marsha and Diane wrestled the sofa up the flight of stairs. Derrick—with muscles bursting from his shirt sleeves—offered to help, but the two women insisted that they could do it \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. theirselves      B. themselves      C. themself      D. themselves

Explain: plural reflexive

3. Yikes, those Nuclear Toaster fans are really rowdy! Too bad for you, seating is assigned, so you are between \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Emilio and they      B. they and Emilio      C. Emilio and them

Explain: Object pronouns - plural

We tried to make cupcakes \_\_\_\_\_, but the cake was dry and the frosting drippy, so we bought a dozen from the bakery instead.

- A. ourself      B. ourselves      C. ourselves

Explain: plural reflexive

2. Did you notice the toilet paper streamers hanging from the Pattersons' trees? It was \_\_\_\_\_ who did the "decorating"!

- A. we      B. us

Explain: We - subject pronoun

3. In an angry whisper, Leslie asked us to put down our sodas. \_\_\_\_\_ slurping was drawing angry glances from the test proctor, which made consulting her cheat sheet more dangerous.

- A. Us      B. Our

Explain: possessive - who owns the slurping

#### LEVEL 4 - PRONOUN CONSISTENCY

Directions: Read the given sentence. Fix it to avoid unclear shifts in pronoun case.

1. The author suggests that the truth is sometimes painful, but telling the truth is better than living a life being someone you are not.

... but telling the truth is better than living a life being someone else.

2. When Margo married a widower her life became complicated because you can't help but feel jealous about a deceased wife.

... it is natural to feel jealousy about a deceased wife.

3. Although it may be painful for a parent not to be your child's role model, Patrice Grant doesn't have the right to be angry with her son's choice.

Although it may be painful for a parent to not be the person his/her child looks up to...

4. As the soldiers marched away from the battleground, you felt as if the war may finally be over.

... Many felt as if the war may finally be over.

## LEVEL 5 - PRONOUN CONSISTENCY

Directions: Read the given sentence. Fix it to avoid unclear shifts in pronoun case.

1. A softball player who wants to develop her pitching form knows you will develop more skills at a sleep away camp.

... knows that athletes can develop skills at a sleep away

2. Students underestimate the amount of time required to study nursing because you simply cannot pass your tests without extensive study and practical experience.

... because <sup>students</sup> ~~the~~ cannot simply pass their tests without...

3. Regardless of how much teachers try, you cannot make sure that students attend every class.

... try, ~~the~~ teachers cannot make sure...

4. When I ran, you would get cramps.

... ran, I would get cramps.

