

Activity Type

Vocabulary and Grammar Exercises: matching, binary choice, gap-fill, sentence completion, writing sentences from prompts

Focus

Reflexive pronouns

Aim

To learn and practice reflexive pronouns.

Preparation

Make one copy of the two worksheets for each student.

Level

Pre-intermediate (A2)

Time

30 minutes

Introduction

Here is a comprehensive reflexive pronouns worksheet for pre-intermediate students.

Procedure

Give each student a copy of the two worksheets.

Go through how reflexive pronouns are used and have the students match the subject pronouns to the reflexive pronouns.

Students then read a set of sentences and choose the correct reflexive pronoun to complete each one. When the students have finished, go through the correct answers with the class.

Exercise B - Answer key

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| 1. himself | 6. themselves |
| 2. myself | 7. yourself |
| 3. ourselves | 8. itself |
| 4. herself | 9. ourselves |
| 5. myself | 10. yourselves |

Students then move on to complete sentences with reflexive pronouns.

Exercise C - Answer key

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| 1. yourself | 6. itself |
| 2. myself | 7. yourselves |
| 3. herself | 8. ourselves |
| 4. themselves | 9. itself |
| 5. himself | 10. themselves |

Following that, students write appropriate subjects for sentences that contain reflexive pronouns.

Afterwards, students read a text about a party and complete the paragraph with the correct reflexive pronouns.

Exercise E - Answer key

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| 1. ourselves | 4. himself |
| 2. themselves | 5. themselves |
| 3. herself | 6. ourselves |

Finally, students create an example sentence for each reflexive pronoun using their own ideas.

Note: This resource can be edited using a PDF editor.

A. Match the subject pronouns to the reflexive pronouns.

I	herself	Reflexive pronouns are words ending in -self or -selves. They are used to refer back to the subject of a sentence and can act as either objects or indirect objects.
You	itself	
He	ourselves	
She	yourselves	
It	himself	
You (plural)	themselves	
We	myself	
They	yourself	

B. Choose the correct reflexive pronoun for each sentence.

1. Mario cut itself / himself on the broken glass.
2. I introduced yourself / myself to the class.
3. We built the house yourselves / ourselves.
4. She made the cake by herself / myself.
5. I painted the picture yourself / myself.
6. Emma and Mary prepared the dinner ourselves / themselves.
7. You should take more care of myself / yourself.
8. The cat looked at herself / itself in the mirror.
9. We really enjoyed themselves / ourselves at the beach.
10. All of you need to carry your bags by ourselves / yourselves.



C. Complete each sentence with the correct reflexive pronoun.

1. I'm sorry Akiko, you'll have to go to class by
2. I enjoyed at the party.
3. Karen stayed at home last night by
4. My mother and father painted the garden fence
5. Lucas likes to learn English by
6. The dog came home by
7. Hi Chen and Yang! Please, come in and make at home.
8. We helped to the coffee.
9. The computer switched off.
10. The children can decorate the Christmas tree by



D. Complete the sentences with an appropriate subject pronoun. Look at the reflexive pronoun to help you.

1. repaired the bike myself.
2. doesn't like eating by herself.
3., you'll have to do your homework yourself.
4. can move the table ourselves.
5. taught himself to play the drums.
6. caught the mouse itself.
7., can you find the way to the cinema yourselves?
8. built the tree house himself.
9. helped themselves to more chocolate cake.
10. taught herself to play chess.



E. Complete the text with the correct reflexive pronouns.

My flatmate Alex had no idea we were going to hold a surprise birthday party for him. We knew he wouldn't get home until 7 o'clock, so everyone arrived at the flat early to help set everything up. We decided to do the decorations (1) We didn't want to buy a cake for Alex. We wanted his birthday to be special, so Kathy and Gregg decided they were going to bake a cake (2) and went into the kitchen. The rest of us decorated the living room. Katie didn't do much to help. She was too busy taking photos of (3) to post online. Richard arrived later in the afternoon with his turntables. He wanted to set them up (4) so we left him to it. We arranged some tables to put the food and drinks on and by 6 o'clock everything was ready. Alex arrived on time and was very surprised to see we had made a party for him. The party was a lot of fun. Everyone helped (5) to food and drink. We all enjoyed (6) and partied late into the night. I think the party was a real success.

F. Create an example sentence for each reflexive pronoun using your own ideas.

myself	
himself	
herself	
yourself	
itself	
ourselves	
yourselves	
themselves	