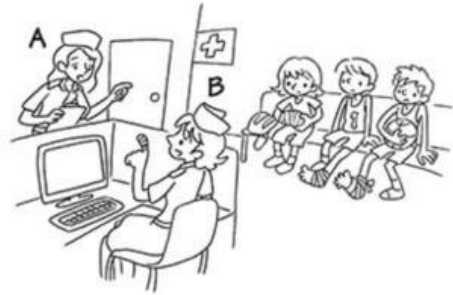


Reflexive pronouns

- A: What happened to those children?
 B: The girl was skating when she hurt **herself**. She broke her arm. The boys were playing basketball when they hurt **themselves**. Both of them twisted their ankles.
 A: What's the matter with your finger?
 B: I was cutting some fruit when I hurt **myself**.



We use **reflexive pronouns** when the subject and the object of a sentence are the same.

I cut **myself** when I was making a model.

We use **by + reflexive pronouns** to mean 'alone' or 'without help from others'.

My sister could comb her hair **by herself** when she was four.

I	→	myself
he	→	himself
she	→	herself
you	→	yourself / yourselves
we	→	ourselves
they	→	themselves



Let's Learn!

We use 'itself' when the subject is an animal. e.g.
My cat licks **itself** after dinner every night.



Warm up

Complete the table.

	subject pronouns	object pronouns	possessive adjectives	reflexive pronouns
①	I	me		
②	he	him		
③	she	her		
④	you		your	/
⑤	we			
⑥	they			
⑦	it		its	

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Underline the mistake in each sentence and write the correct words in the blanks. Follow the example.

- 1 Take care of himself, boys! _____ yourselves
- 2 My sister Cherry can tie her shoelaces by himself. _____
- 3 Can your brother Leo cook by herself? _____
- 4 Don't worry, Mum. Joe and I can go to school by myself. _____
- 5 The monkey hurt himself when it jumped out of the tree. _____
- 6 The little boys can have a shower by yourselves. _____
- 7 A: How did you hurt yourself? _____
 B: I hurt yourself when I was playing tennis.



Complete what the news reporter says with the correct words.



Good evening. This is Steve Evans. Welcome to the six o'clock news.

A man started a fire in his flat this morning. The man ① _____ (be) alone at home and he cooked by ② _____. He ③ _____ (play) with his mobile phone ④ _____ he ⑤ _____ (fry) some food. He burnt his right arm. He was sent to the hospital.

This afternoon, a woman and her children ⑥ _____ (hike) in Ma On Shan Country Park when the woman ⑦ _____ (fall) and ⑧ _____ (break) her left leg. She couldn't walk by ⑨ _____ so her children went off by ⑩ _____ to find help. Police have just rescued the woman.