

Demonstrative Adjectives versus Demonstrative Pronouns

The words *this*, *that*, *these*, and *those* can be used as adjectives or as pronouns. When they modify nouns or pronouns, they are called *demonstrative adjectives*. When they are used alone, they are called *demonstrative pronouns*.

DEMONSTRATIVE ADJECTIVE I will buy these tapes.

DEMONSTRATIVE PRONOUN I will buy these.

For each of the following sentences, decide whether the underlined word is a demonstrative adjective or a demonstrative pronoun.

1. Then the cook served this Mediterranean dish.
2. Most people love these tiny Japanese paintings.
3. Is that the Winstons' cat?
4. These Japanese woodcuts were made during the eighteenth century.
5. This little picture was painted by an unknown artist.
6. That is a brilliant idea!
7. Will those candles burn for more than five hours?
8. This is a mixture of fresh fish and several vegetables.
9. Please take these to the post office.
10. Nathan bought those puzzles for his little sister.