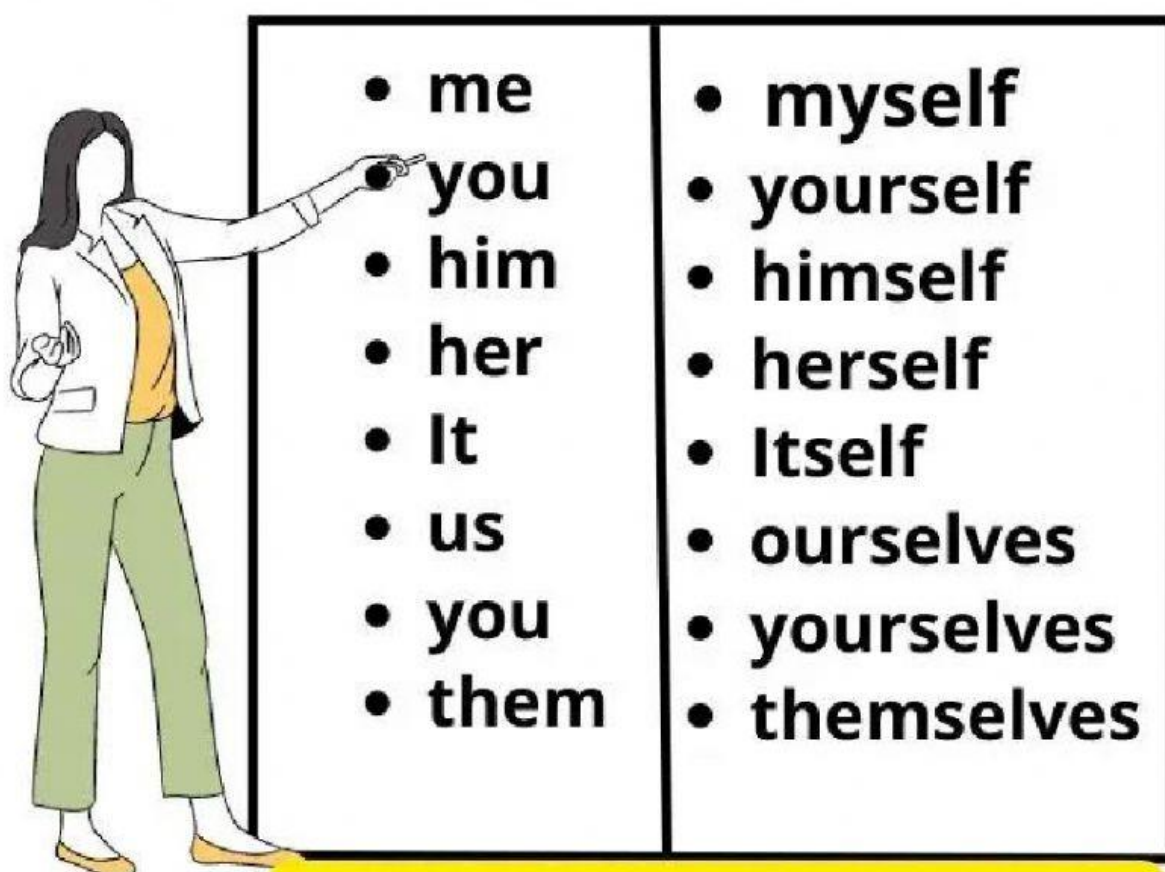


Reflexive Pronoun



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TASK 1. Listen to the next audio and then choose the correct reflexive pronoun to fill in the blanks in each conversation.

Conversation 1

Man: What are you doing?

Woman: I'm trying to learn yoga.

Man: Well, be careful. Don't hurt _____.

Woman: I won't. I'm taking it slow.

Man: Why don't you take a class or watch a video?

Woman: No, I'd rather teach _____. I like learning things on my own.

Man: Suit yourself.



Conversation 2

Man: So, where are you living these days?

Woman: I live near the beach.

Man: Oh, rent is so expensive there. Do you have a roommate?

Woman: No, I live by _____.

Man: Wow! That must be so nice to live by the beach.

Woman: It is. When I saw the apartment vacancy, I told _____ I had to get it, no matter the cost.

Man: That must cost a lot.

Woman: Not really. Because it is near the beach and my work, I no longer need a car, so I save a lot of money on transportation.

Man: Well, that must be nice.

Woman: Yeah, in a way, the apartment pays for itself.

Conversation 3

Man: Can I have another cookie?

Woman: By all means. Help _____.

Man: These are so good. Did you buy them?

Woman: Oh, heaven's no! I made them myself.

Man: Wow, well, you outdid _____. These are delicious.

Woman: Well, I'm glad you like them.

Conversation 4

Woman: What did you buy at the store?

Man: I bought myself a new watch.

Woman: Oh, cool. What can it do?

Man: Well, it can monitor my sleep, and it never needs batteries.

Woman: It doesn't need batteries! How does it do that?

Man: It recharges _____ using solar power.

Woman: Wow, I need to get a watch like that.

Man: You should. Sometimes we need to treat ourselves to something nice.

Woman: I like how you think.



TASK 2. Listen again to the audio and then answer the questions.

1) What does the man suggest?

She watches a video.

She learns yoga herself.

2) How does the apartment pay for itself?

She can save on electricity.

She can save on transportation.

3) What does the woman say about the cookies?

She outdid herself.

She made them herself.

4) What can the watch do?

Pay for itself

Recharge itself



TASK 3. Listen to the next audio and then practice it with a classmate.

Conversation 1

Man: Wow, big box. What did you buy?

Woman: I bought myself a new computer.

Man: Nice. What kind?

Woman: I got a new Mac.

Man: Oh, cool. That must've been expensive.

Woman: A little, but I needed a new one.

Man: Yeah. I've been thinking of getting a new one myself.

Woman: You should. I find a new computer pays for itself because it makes you much more productive.

Man: True. Can't argue with that.



Conversation 2

Man: Why are you so down?

Woman: I did not get a promotion from the boss.

Man: Oh, I'm sorry to hear that.

Woman: I don't think he likes me.

Man: Oh, I'm sure he likes you. Don't be so hard on yourself.

Woman: Yeah, you're right.

Conversation 3

Man: Man, these cookies smell so good.

Woman: Please try some.

Man: Oh, they look so good.

Woman: You better eat some before the kids get home.

Man: Why? Will they eat them all?

Woman: Yeah, they can't help themselves.

Man: Well, I can see why. Your cookies are so good. Can I have two?

Woman: Help yourself.



Conversation 4

Man: I like your shirt.

Woman: Thanks. I made it myself.

Man: Really? I didn't know you sew.

Woman: I do. I make a lot of my own clothes.

Man: That is so cool.

Woman: It's easy. You should try it sometime.

Man: I would if you could teach me.

Woman: Oh, you don't need me. You can learn how to do it yourself by watching videos online.

Man: Okay. I'll think about it. Thanks.

TASK 4. Listen again to the audio and then answer the questions.

1) Who will give something to Joel?

The man

The woman

2) Who helped Julie cook the food?

The man

No one

3) What surprised the man about the boss?

She will go to the picnic.

She will not attend the picnic.



4) Who helped the man with the budget?

Larry

No one

Time for

Speaking!



ROLE-PLAY

Situation: You ran into a friend(s) and you want to talk about your daily life (-ves). Make sure you include the following topics in that conversation: Preparation time: 18 minutes.



Gerunds



Infinitives



Reflexive pronouns

Time for

Speaking!

ORAL TASK. Read and discuss the following poem. Make sure you express your opinion either working in small groups or with the whole class and teacher.

The paradox of our age

We have bigger houses but smaller families;
more conveniences, but less time;

We have more degrees, but less sense;
more knowledge, but less judgement;
more experts, but more problems;
more medicines, but less healthiness;

We've been all the way to the moon and back,
but have trouble crossing the street
to meet the new neighbour.

We built more computers to hold more information
to produce more copies than ever,
but have less communication;

We have become long on quantity,
but short on quality.

These are times of fast foods but slow digestion;
Tall man but short character;

Steep profits but shallow relationships.

It's a time when there is much in the window,
but nothing in the room.

*Dalai Lama -
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