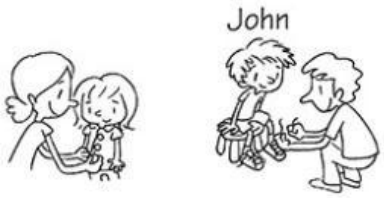
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Reflexive pronouns (with 'by')

When I was three, I couldn't do up my buttons by **myself**.
Mum helped me.
When John was five, he couldn't tie his shoelaces by **himself**.
Dad helped him.
When Lily was seven, she could pack her school bag by **herself**.
Now we are nine. We can do the housework by **ourselves**!





By + reflexive pronoun means alone or without help from anyone else.

Let's Learn!
The kitten climbs the stairs by **itself**.

reflexive pronouns

I	caught a big fish	by **myself**.	We	cooked the dinner	by **ourselves**.
He		by **himself**.	They		by **themselves**.
She		by **herself**.	You (plural)		by **yourselves**.
It		by **itself**.			
You (singular)		by **yourself**.			

Practice

A ***Rewrite the sentences. Add 'by' and the correct reflexive pronouns. Follow the example.***



1 I couldn't fly a kite last year.
I couldn't fly a kite **by myself** last year.

2 My cat can catch mice.

_____

3 Mandy could climb the stairs when she was three.

_____

4 Sam and Billy couldn't make model planes when they were six.

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Practice **B** ***Underline the reflexive pronouns. If they are wrong, write the correct answers on the lines. Follow the example.***

1 I carried the heavy shopping bags by himself. myself

2 My brother learnt to ride a bicycle by himself. _____

3 Steve and I can't cook by themselves. _____

4 Children! You should finish your homework by yourself. _____

5 Hi, Bobby. Did you enjoy flying on the plane by itself? _____

6 When she was seven, Kate could send e-mails by myself. _____

Grammar in Context ***Cathy is writing a postcard to Eric. Complete the postcard using the correct pronouns. Add 'by' if necessary. Follow the example.***

Dear Eric,

My family and I are in Australia. ❶ We are having a great time here. Yesterday Dad took ❷ _____ to Water World. He fed a shark ❸ _____. It was very exciting. Jane and I wanted to feed the shark ❹ _____ too, but Dad said we were too young. We also saw some dolphins. They were friendly. I threw a ball to ❺ _____ and ❻ _____ played with it. After that we went to a cafe. Mum ate a whole Jumbo Ice Cream ❼ _____! I could't eat a whole one ❽ _____ so ❾ _____ shared one with Jane. ❿ _____ both loved ⓫ _____!

See you next week.

From
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