

UNIT 9

PRONOUNS AND DETERMINERS

	Determiner	Pronoun
I	It's my jumper.	It's mine .
you	It's your cap.	It's yours .
he	It's his jacket.	It's his .
she	It's her swimming costume.	It's hers .
it	It's its shoe.	–
we	They're our clothes.	They're ours .
you	They're your socks.	They're yours .
they	They're their trousers.	They're theirs .

- We use the determiners **my**, **your**, **his**, etc. with nouns to talk about our possessions.
*That's **my** tie.*
*Is this **your** scarf?*
- We use the pronouns **mine**, **yours**, **his**, etc. so we don't need to repeat the noun.
*Is this your scarf? Yes, it's **mine**. (~~not Yes, it's my scarf.~~)*
*Are these your trainers? Yes, they're **ours**. (~~not Yes, they're our trainers.~~)*
- Mine** is always singular.
*Who do these trainers belong to? They're **mine**. (~~not mines~~)*
- There is no pronoun form for **its**.

1 Complete the sentences with the correct determiner (*my, your, his, etc.*).

- 0 I love watching films. _____ favourite actor is Johnny Depp.
- 1 One of my uncles lives in New York. _____ name is David.
- 2 That isn't my parents' car. _____ car is blue.
- 3 'Is this Maria's?' 'No, _____ jacket is red.'
- 4 We haven't got a big dog. _____ dog is very small.
- 5 Can I borrow _____ rubber, please? I haven't got one.

2 Choose the correct words.

- 1 You haven't got John's cap. *His / Hers* is black.
- 2 I haven't got a pencil. Can I borrow *mine / yours*?
- 3 Are these your books? No, they aren't *yours / mine*.
They belong to Harry and Nick.
- 4 Ana's looking for her shoes. Are these *hers / theirs*?
- 5 You're wearing Nick's jumper. Where's *his / yours*?
- 6 Shall we buy a new tent? *Ours / Its* is very old.

3 Complete the conversation with the words in the box.

his mine my our theirs
your yours yours

Steve: I tidied the house this morning. All
1 _____ clothes were everywhere.
Are these shorts 2 _____?

Laura: No, they aren't. They're Dan's.

Steve: And these green socks? Are they
3 _____ too?

Laura: No, they're 4 _____.
The white socks are Dan's.

Steve: Right. I like 5 _____ socks, Laura!

Laura: 6 _____ grandma gave them to
me!

Steve: Whose blue jumper is this?

Laura: It's 7 _____! You've got a blue
jumper, haven't you!

Steve: You're right! Dan and Lucy have got
red trousers. Are these 8 _____?

Laura: Yes, they are.

2 Find all the pronouns in the blog in Exercise 5.

Samuel08

March 22 at 11.06

I just love clothes! My best buy last year was a pair of bright red boots. Cool! I wanted to get some like my brother's. His are green, but now I like mine best. I'm wearing them right now.

Megan33

March 22 at 12.30

I got my best buy yesterday! My parents bought me warm things for my skiing holiday – socks, gloves and scarf. Then I saw an amazing black and purple jumper with pockets. I don't really need it, but I bought it anyway.

Ed14

March 22 at 13.13

Your clothes sound amazing! Mine are all so boring! Dad takes me shopping, and he buys me what he likes. Yuk. Last week he bought me a pale grey suit and a pale green tie for my cousin's wedding! They're just like his! Can you believe it! You're both so lucky.

Isaac60

March 22 at 13.25

Tell your dad it's great he wants to buy your clothes for you, but say you want to choose them sometimes. I got things for a holiday. I got pale blue swimming shorts and sunglasses. Oh, and black trainers – the best thing is a bright blue cap!

Amelia55

March 22 at 14.20

What great clothes – except the suit (sorry, Ed!). My sister and I always like the same clothes and our best buys last summer were swimming costumes! Mine is pink and hers is green. They look great!

3 Complete the sentences with pronouns.

- 0 I'm sure those gloves are mine . I bought them yesterday.
- 1 Hey you two, are these caps _____ ? I found them under the table.
- 2 I hate going shopping for jackets with Ed. He doesn't like pockets on _____ , but most jackets have them.
- 3 Samuel bought red boots not green ones, so I don't think those green boots are _____ .
- 4 Megan and Isaac both love the colour grey, so I'm sure those grey scarves are _____ .
- 5 Are all these _____ ? We've got so many clothes!
- 6 Excuse me. Are these sunglasses _____ ? I think you dropped them.

4 Correct the mistakes in the sentences.



- 1 You can borrow me book.
- 2 I think you can buy a pair of trainers like my.
- 3 I like it because it colour is bright blue.
- 4 The cap isn't my. It's my brother's.
- 5 The clothes on the bed are all your.

- 5** Work in small groups. Ask and answer questions about the things you have on your desk. Use these words to help you.

Is this yours?

Yes, it's mine.

No, it isn't mine. It's his / hers / yours / theirs.

It's long and thin and it's bright green. It's a crayon and you use it to draw and colour in.

Is this your textbook?

Yes, it's mine.

Are these pens yours?

No, they're not mine. They're hers.

1 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

hers his ~~mine~~ ours theirs yours

- 1 That's my book. It's mine.
- 2 Look! There's your dress. It's
- 3 Is it their car? Yes, it's
- 4 Give him back his cap. It's
- 5 Are those her jeans? Yes, they're
- 6 This is our lunch. It's

2 Complete the sentences with a pronoun.

- 1 They're my boots. They're mine.
- 2 Are these _____ gloves? Yes, they're yours.
- 3 Look, it's ours! It's _____ house.
- 4 That's her scarf. It's _____.
- 5 Where are _____ boots? Look! They're theirs.
- 6 Is this his jumper? Yes, it's _____.
- 7 Their bike is over there. Yes, I think it's _____.

3 Read the questions and put the words in order to make the answers.

1 Is this your bag? mine / it's / Yes,

Yes, it's mine.

2 Which are our shoes? black / The / ones / ours / are

5 Is her suit is an interesting colour? hers / Yes, / beautiful / a / green is

3 Is that his tie? grey / Yes, / the / one / his / is

6 Where are my sunglasses? are / think / yours / these / I

4 Are those their swimming shorts? theirs / Yes, / they're.

7 Are these red socks yours? mine / No, / aren't / they

GRAMMAR

3 Choose the right word to complete the sentences.

- 1 I love listening to music. *My / Your / His* favourite singer is Adele.
- 2 One of my aunts lives in California. *Her / Hers / She* name is Sara.
- 3 Is this *her / she / hers* swimming costume?
- 4 I bought a new pair because *my / mine / me* jeans are old.
- 5 This isn't my parents' car. *Their / Theirs / They* car is white.
- 6 These pencil cases are Juan and Marco's. Where are *their / his / our* pencil cases?
- 7 Look at that bird. I think it's hungry. Where's *its / they / their* food?
- 8 I really like *your / yours / my* socks Juana. Were they a present?

4 Complete the conversation with the correct pronouns.

A: Let's take (1) *our* clothes in. I think they're dry now.

B: OK. Can I help you?

A: Great. Thanks.

B: Are these socks (2)?

A: No, they aren't. They're Maria's.

B: And these jumpers. Are they (3) too?

A: No, they're Marta and Blanca's.

B: What about these swimming shorts? Are they (4) too?

A: Yes, they are. And this light green baseball cap?

B: That's (5) Thanks.

A: And this blue shirt?

B: It's (6), isn't it? You've got a blue shirt.

A: Oh yes, it's (7)! Thanks. And what about this black baseball cap?

B: David was looking for his cap yesterday. I think it's (8)