

Risks at Work – COULD + VERB + REFLEXIVE PRONOUN

There is another way to talk about risks at work. You can use **reflexive pronouns**. Reflexive pronouns are used when the subject is doing something to itself.

Reflexive Pronouns			Grammar Bite
I	● myself	I sometimes talk to <i>myself</i> .	
you (singular)	● yourself	Do you ever ask <i>yourself</i> this question?	
you (plural)	● yourselves	Please take good care of <i>yourselves</i> .	
he	● himself	He hurt <i>himself</i> with the knife.	
she	● herself	She looked at <i>herself</i> in a mirror.	
it	● itself	The cat licked <i>itself</i> .	
we	● ourselves	We will clean the room <i>ourselves</i> .	
they	● themselves	They had a nice time. They enjoyed <i>themselves</i> .	

Reflexive pronouns are used in three situations :

1. Reflexive Pronouns are used when the subject and object are the same.

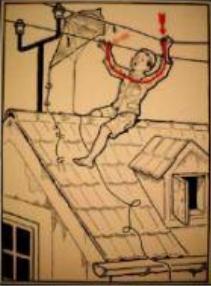
E.g. "The machine cleaned *itself*."

2. Reflexive Pronouns are used as the object of a preposition, when the subject and object are the same.

E.g. "I sometimes talk to *myself*."

3. Reflexive Pronouns are used to emphasize the subject.

E.g. "We will clean the office *ourselves*."

 <p>electrocute (you)</p> <p>1. You could _____</p> <p>_____</p>	 <p>hit (he)</p> <p>2. _____</p> <p>_____</p>	 <p>injure (James)</p> <p>3. _____</p> <p>_____</p>
 <p>burn (she)</p> <p>4. _____</p> <p>_____</p>	 <p>cut (he)</p> <p>5. _____</p> <p>_____</p>	 <p>Hurt (we)</p> <p>4. _____</p> <p>_____</p>
 <p>shoot (he)</p> <p>7. _____</p> <p>_____</p>	 <p>burn herself out (she)</p> <p>8. _____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Try to make your own sentence.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>