

GENERIC PRONOUN

When we refer to people in general:

- **You** can use the phone in this area.
- **One** can feel desperate in this kind of situation. (more formal, rarely in spoken English)
- **We** should get to a global agreement before it is too late to change the future. (to make a general statement including Reader and Listener)
- No matter who enters the group, **they** should follow the instructions as the rest of members. (we can't make reference to a third person singular without knowing their gender, so we use : **they, their, them..**)

REFLEXIVE AND RECIPROCAL PRONOUNS

REFLEXIVE PRONOUNS: myself, yourself, himself, herself, itself, ourselves, yourselves, themselves

- **when the subject and object of a verb are the same person:**

She always looks at **herself** every time she passes by a shop window.

Be careful not to use the reflexive pronoun in verbs which are reflexive in other languages:

He got up ~~himself~~ (él se levantó....)

- **ENJOY is always followed by a reflexive pronoun if there is no other object:**

Have a nice day and enjoy **yourself**!

- **after a preposition when the complement is the same as the subject:**

I managed to finish the race so I felt so proud of **myself**.

Be careful with prepositions of place, after them do not use reflexive pronouns:

He came in and sat next to **me**. (not " next to ~~myself~~")

- **to emphasize the subject:**

Did you put up all the pieces of furniture **yourselves**?

- **after by, with the meaning of *alone, on his/her.. own***

I did it **by myself** (on my own / alone)

RECIPROCAL PRONOUNS: each other, one another (reciprocal actions: A does sth to B, B does the same to A)

We looked at **each other** and laughed.

IT and THERE

IT

- **It + (be) ...: time, temperature and distance**

It was 8 o'clock when we got there. / It's freezing, it's only 2 degrees. / It's ten miles from here.

- **it + (be) + adjective (preparatory subject)**

It was difficult to get to the summit under such conditions.

THERE

- **There + (be) ... : meaning things, people exist or not.**

There is a cat outside. / There was a big accident on the road last night. / There have been great inventions so far. / There will be trips to the moon in the future.