

The Magic of Pronouns

How to Stop Repeating Yourself



The Problem with Nouns

Rameez is my brother.

Rameez plays basketball.

Rameez also likes to paint.

✗ REPETITIVE NOUN



Meet the Stand-Ins

Rameez is my brother.

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He also likes to paint.

Pronouns are words which we use instead of nouns to avoid repetition.

Common Cast: I, me, you, it, he, she, him, her, we, us, they, them

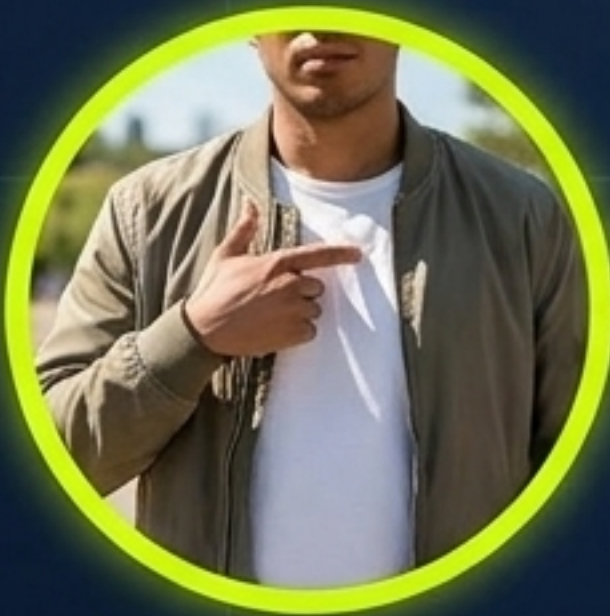


Personal Pronouns

Pronouns that stand for specific persons, animals, or things.



2nd Person: The Listener



1st Person: The Speaker

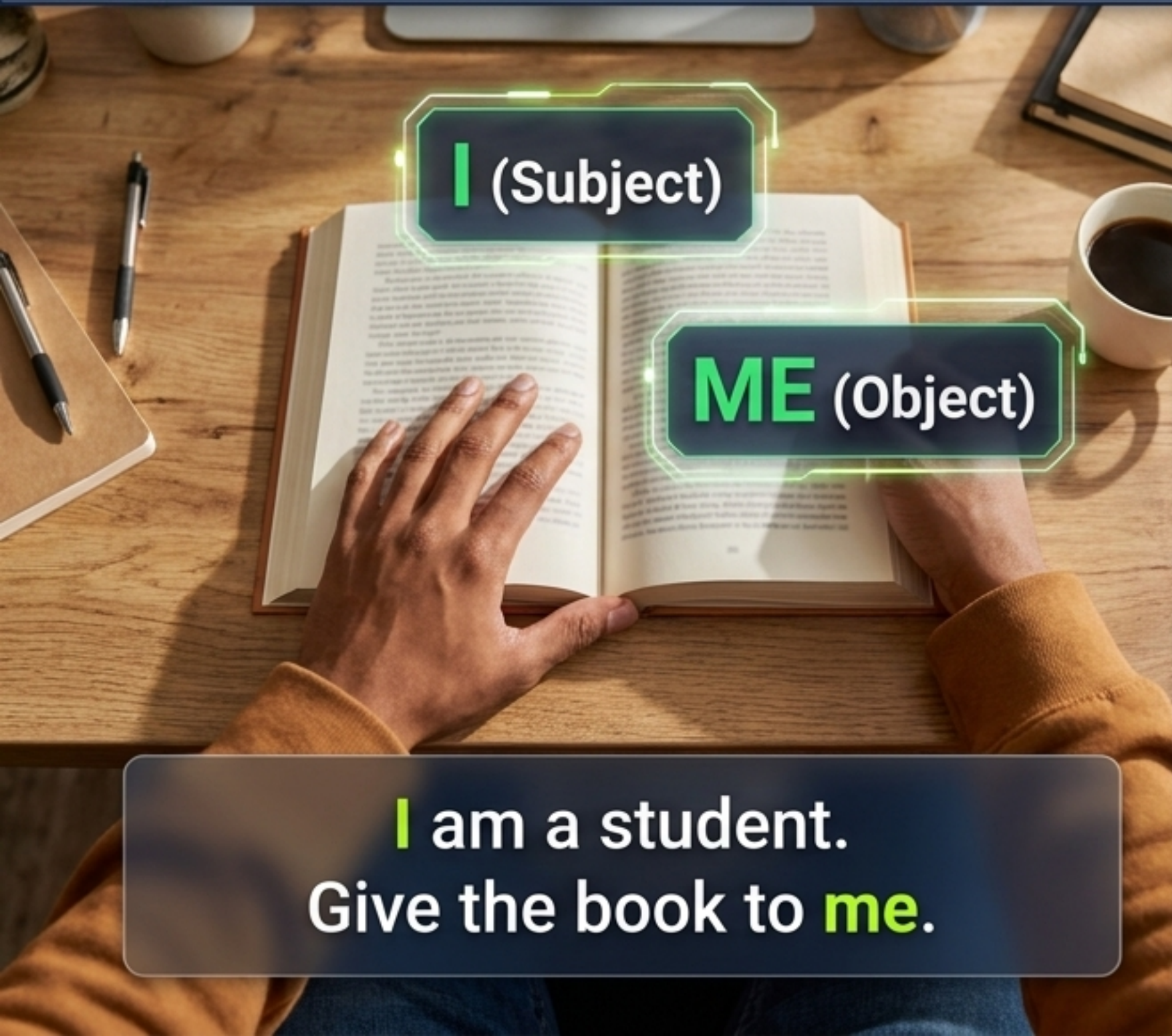
**Personal
Pronouns**



3rd Person: The Others

1st Person: The Speaker

Stands for the person speaking.



I (Subject)

ME (Object)

I am a student.
Give the book to **me**.



WE (Subject)

US (Object)

We like swimming.
Can you take **us** to the station.

2nd Person: The Listener

Stands for the person
(or persons) being
spoken to.

YOU
(Singular & Plural)

(Singular): You are my best friend.

(Plural): Shanti and Rama, you have
to go to the principal's room now.

3rd Person: The Others

Stands for people or things other than the speaker or listener.

HE / HIM

He is a footballer.
I met **him** yesterday.

SHE / HER

She is a pilot.
Give the books to **her**.

IT

It is a very
old statue.

THEY / THEM

They are my sisters.

The Pronoun Matrix

When the noun is singular, use a singular pronoun. When plural, use a plural pronoun.

	 SINGULAR	 PLURAL
first person	I, me	we, us
second person	you	you
third person	he, she, it, him, her	they, them

Grammar Byte: The Power of 'And'

Rule: When two or more nouns are joined by 'and', the pronoun used for them becomes **PLURAL**.



Kusum



Shikha



Kusum and Shikha went to school. **They** reached late.

Matching the Gender

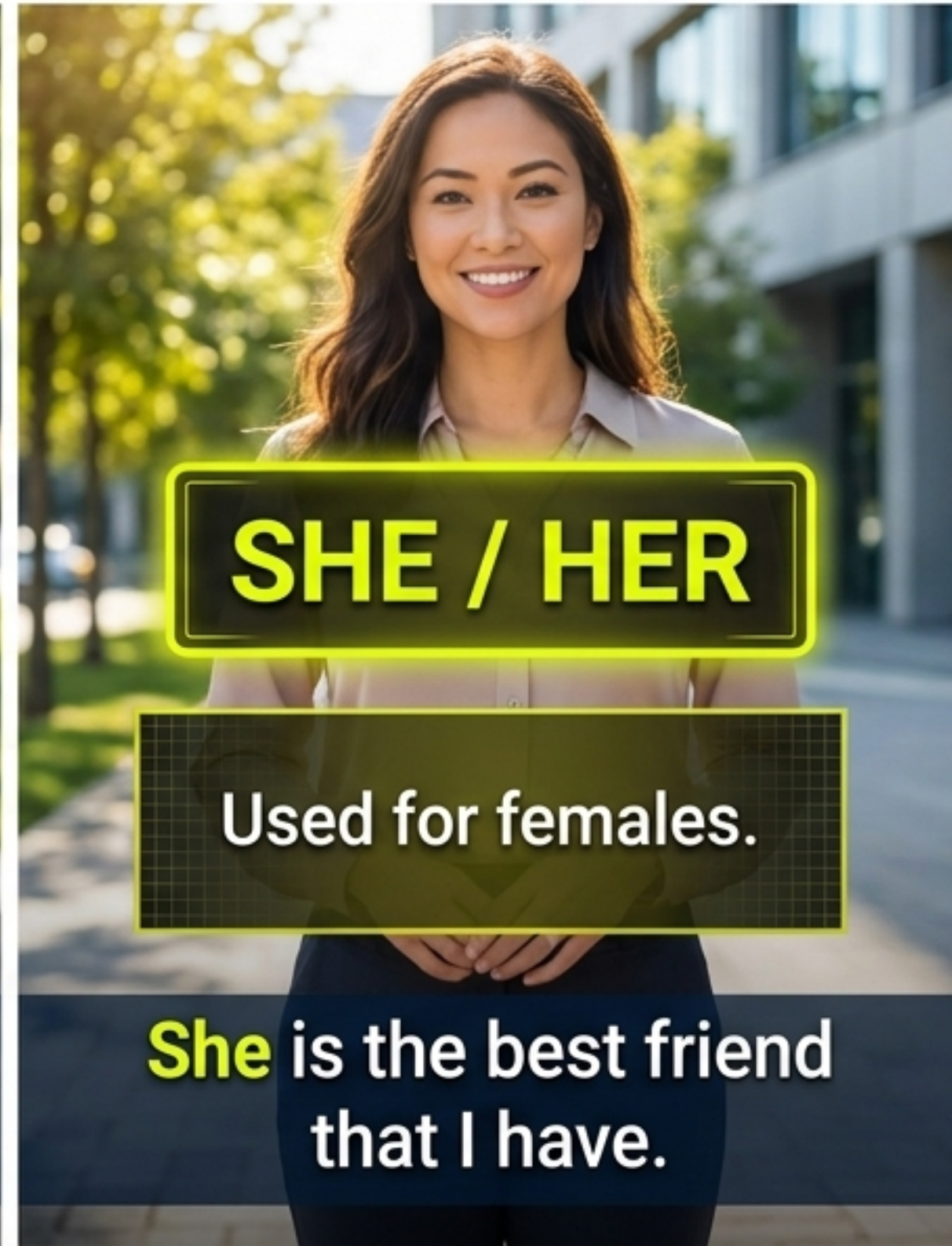
The gender of a pronoun is the same as the noun it replaces.



HE / HIM

Used for males.

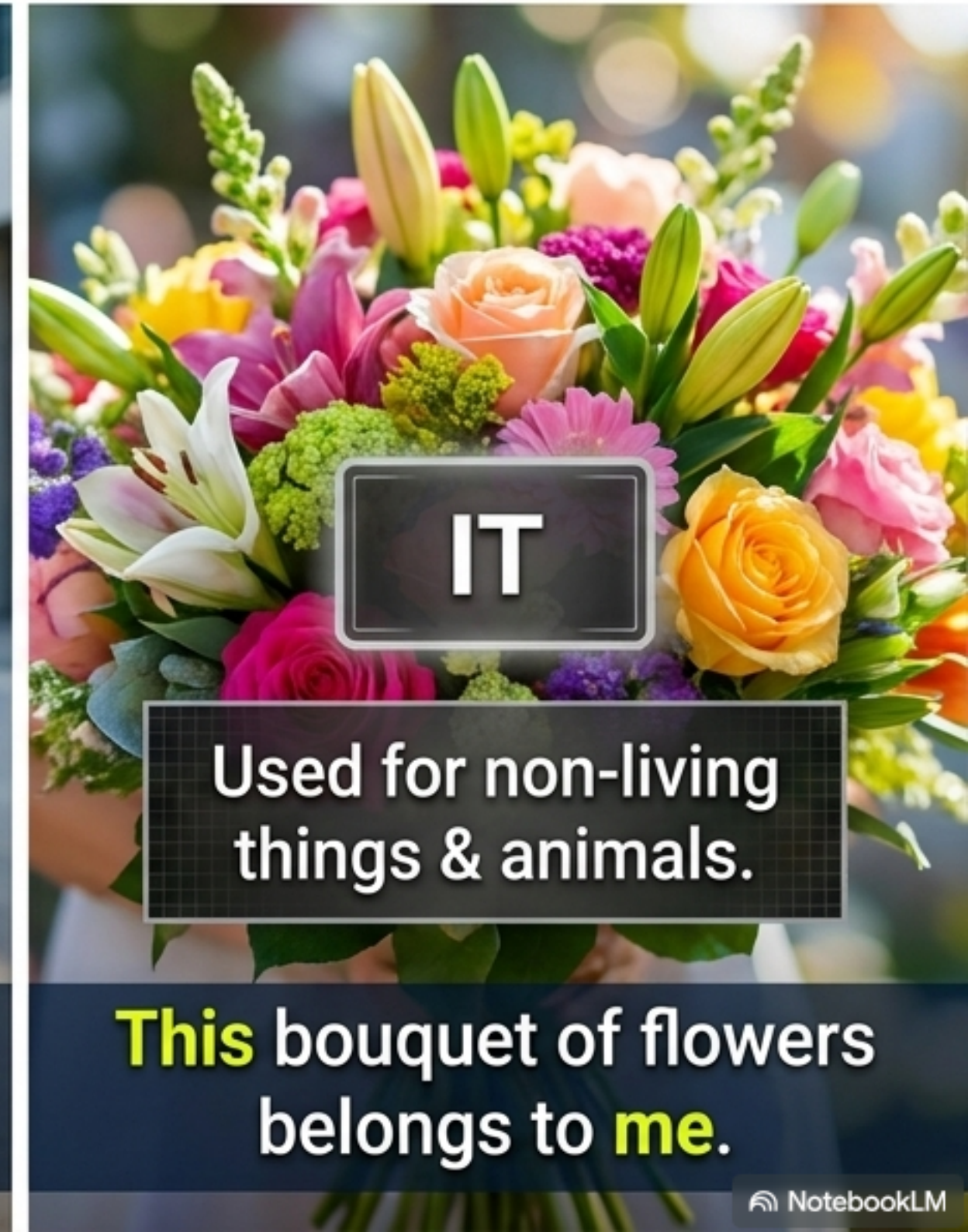
Pritam asked **his** parents to buy **him** a toy.



SHE / HER

Used for females.

She is the best friend that I have.



IT

Used for non-living things & animals.

This bouquet of flowers belongs to **me**.

Possessive Pronouns: Who owns it?

Pronouns that show ownership or possession.
(mine, ours, yours, theirs, hers, his)



The red
mobile phone
is hers.



The black
mobile phone
is his.



The blue skirt
is yours.



The house with
the garden is
ours.

The Tricky Swap: Watch out for 'His'



This is **his** pen.

Diagram illustrating the use of 'his' as an adjective. An orange arrow points from the word 'his' to the noun 'pen', and another orange arrow points from the word 'his' to the word 'pen'.

Used before a noun
(**Adjective**)



This pen is **his**.

Diagram illustrating the use of 'his' as a pronoun. A green 3D rectangular box highlights the word 'his'.

Replaces the noun entirely
(**Pronoun**)

The Pronoun Universe

The book
is hers.

HERS



SHE

She is my
friend.

HER

I gave the
book to her.

**One noun, multiple pronoun stand-ins.
The pronoun changes based on its job!**

Director's Check: Fix the Script!

PRODUCTION
SCENE
78
DIRECTOR
CAMERA
CAMMAN
DATE

Ramu was a villager. But

always dreamt of
becoming rich.

heard about a diamond.

Ramu went to find ...

Who is the stunt
double for Ramu?

Who is the stunt
double for the
diamond?

HE

HE

IT

Don't Forget!



**Pronouns
replace
nouns to
stop
repetition.**



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stand for
persons,
animals, and
things (1st, 2nd,
3rd Person).**



**They must
match the
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in Number
(Singular/Plural)
and Gender.**



**Possessive
pronouns
(mine, yours,
theirs) show
ownership.**