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Demonstrative Pronouns

Focus

A pronoun is a word that takes the place of a noun. A **demonstrative pronoun** points to a specific person, place, thing, or idea. *This, these, that, and those* are demonstrative pronouns.

- To refer to things that are nearby, use *this*, singular, or *these*, plural.
- **This** is the shirt I am wearing. Are **these** the papers you needed?
- To refer to things that are far away, use *that*, singular, or *those*, plural.
- **That** is the best idea so far. Where are you putting **those**?

Practice

Rewrite each sentence, replacing the boldface words with *this, these, that, or those*. Underline the demonstrative pronoun in the new sentence.

1. **The ice cubes I am holding** are melting in my hand.

2. Will you carry **the logs stacked over there** into the house?

3. You need to thoroughly clean **the bucket you found** before using it.

4. **The tag of my shirt** keeps tickling my neck.

5. **The horses standing near the barn** are the ones I helped brush.

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