Pronouns

A pronoun is a word that takes the place of a proper noun.

e.g. The children played in the park. The children came home early.

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Write out the sentence and change the red words into a pronoun (see the list of pronouns below and choose the one that makes the most sense).

Personal pronouns explained

A personal pronoun is a word which can be used instead of a person, place or thing.

There are twelve personal pronouns for people: I, you, he, she, it, we, they, me, him, her, us and them.

There are three personal pronouns for things: they, them, it.

Personal pronouns allow you to avoid repeating a word and to refer to someone already mentioned. If the noun is plural, so is the pronoun which replaces it.

- 1. Michael was late for school and Michael was going to get into trouble!
- 2. Sarah was going to Gran's house for tea and Sarah was very excited.
- 3. The kittens were very playful all morning and now the kittens were tired.
- 4. Gemma and I were swimming yesterday and Gemma and I swam fifty lengths together.
- 5. My friends were all playing outside and I really wanted to play outside with my friends.
- 6. I told Mr Milne that I would call Mr Milne later on.
- 7. Queen Elizabeth thanked all of her visitors for coming to visit Queen Elizabeth.
- 8. My family and I looked after the dog for our neighbours. Our neighbours thanked my family and I for doing such a kind thing.