

# Pronoun Rules

**Rule 1:** A speaker should mention himself or herself after mentioning another person.

**Example:** Clarissa invited you and me to the party.

**Rule 2:** Singular pronouns replace singular nouns. Plural pronouns replace plural nouns.

**Example:** If a student is sick, he or she should stay home.  
If those people buy the house, they will move in soon.

**Rule 3:** Pronouns used after words such as *anybody, everyone, someone, nobody, one, each, either, and neither* should be singular.

**Example:** Each of the girls thought she would win the science fair.

*Each sentence below contains a mistake in pronoun usage. In the blank, write the number of the rule that makes the usage incorrect. Then rewrite each sentence correctly.*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ As soon as a runner crosses the finish line, they are given a medal.

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2. \_\_\_\_\_ Each of the boys was determined they would attend practice every day.

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3. \_\_\_\_\_ Sue told me and the other band members that she loved our song.

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4. \_\_\_\_\_ When a student registers for class, they automatically get a parking pass.

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5. \_\_\_\_\_ Did you know that Jeremy, I, and Maria all have the same birthday?

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6. \_\_\_\_\_ Someone left their backpack near the bleachers after the football game.

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7. \_\_\_\_\_ If that employer wants you for the job, they will contact you by telephone.

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