

## FUMC ESL 2-9-2026 Intermediate and Advanced Lesson

**Introduce yourself: Tell where you are from. What is your favorite wild animal?** For example, I love elephants. I like reading about them. I give money to support elephant rescues.

### Grammar: Types of Pronouns

**Personal pronouns:** I, you, he, she, it, we, they (used as subject of the sentence) EX: **She** is my friend.

**Object pronouns:** me, you, him, her, it, us, them (used as object of the sentence) EX: I like **her**.

**Possessive pronouns:** mine, yours, his, hers, ours, yours, theirs (ownership). EX: Are these **yours**? Yes, they are **mine**.

**NOTE:** Possessive pronouns are not followed by a noun. You would not say, "This is theirs book." OR. "This is mine umbrella". **But** there is something called a **possessive adjective**. It is always followed by a noun. EX: This is **their** umbrella. This is **her** dog. That is **my** son.

**Reflexive pronouns:** myself, yourself, himself, herself, itself, ourselves, yourselves, themselves (subject and pronoun refer to same person) EX: She was mad at **herself** for forgetting her umbrella.

**NOTE:** According to the dictionary, it is now correct to say "older than I" OR "older than me". Also, "between you and me" is the correct usage, but most dictionaries also accept "between you and I".

**NOTE:** In English if we have a compound subject (Jon and I) we list the other person first. EX: He and I are going home. NOT I and he are going home.

### Put a pronoun in the blank.

1. Jack has a part-time job. \_\_\_\_\_ works at a fast food restaurant.
2. This sauce is too hot. I don't like \_\_\_\_\_.
3. She did well on the exam. She was proud of \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Tom and Lena's dogs are small and black. Those dogs are large. Those dogs are not \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Is this your umbrella? Yes, this one is \_\_\_\_\_.
6. I brought my paper and the rest of the class brought \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Maria never had piano lessons. She taught \_\_\_\_\_ to play.
8. Jack and \_\_\_\_\_ are brothers. Jack is older than \_\_\_\_\_.
9. I found a purse on the table. Is it \_\_\_\_\_.
10. I like to do things by \_\_\_\_\_.
11. We promised \_\_\_\_\_ we wouldn't stay out late.

12. We introduced \_\_\_\_\_ to the students.
13. The teacher said she wanted to know more about us, so we each wrote a story about \_\_\_\_\_.
14. I found these shoes in my room. Are these \_\_\_\_\_.
15. I never go to parties. I don't like \_\_\_\_\_.
16. Who is that woman? Why are you looking at \_\_\_\_\_.
17. Please listen to \_\_\_\_\_ when I speak to you.
18. Tom knows Jim better than \_\_\_\_\_ do.

### Common Expressions

1-My attic is filled with things I no longer need. I have the crib my son slept in, but he is 30 now. I have a tent and several sleeping bags, but I don't camp any more. I have some chairs that match a table that I no longer have. I really need to **get rid of** these things. What should I do with them? They are not damaged. They are too nice to throw away. Do you have any suggestions?

-Do you have anything you would like to get rid of? What do you do with things that you no longer use?

2-I wrote a letter to my grandmother. Then, I went to the post office to buy stamps for the envelope. But the line at the post office was very long. I didn't have time to wait in line. I tried to use the stamp machines, but they were all **out of order**. I don't write many letters. I text or email most of my friends. But my grandmother is very old. She doesn't have a cell phone or computer. I have to write letters to her.

-Do you have anything in your home that is out of order?

-Do you write letters to anyone?

-Do you ever print out emails that friends send so you can save them to read again later? For example, I printed a long email my son sent me telling me how much he appreciates me. I keep it in my desk and read it often.

3- Sherry is "**on top of the world**" right now because she got accepted to the university. She's **walking on air!** What is something that could make you feel "on top of the world"? Talk about a time you were walking on air.

4-If someone refers to their "**ex**", who are they talking about. EX: I ran into my ex the other day, and he didn't even speak to me.

-Is divorce common or uncommon in your country?

-Do you think it's hard to have a good relationship with your ex?