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## GRAMMAR

### PERSONAL PRONOUNS

We may say

**Hari is absent, because Hari is ill.**

But it is better to avoid the repetition of the Noun Hari, and say\_\_

**Hari is absent, because he is ill.**

A word that is thus used instead of a noun is called a **Pronoun**. [Pronoun means for a noun.]

Def- A **Pronoun** is a word used instead of a Noun.

**Read the following sentences.**

I am young.

You are young.

He (she, it) is young

We are young.

They are young.

I , We, you, he, (she, it), they are called **Personal Pronouns** because they stand for the three persons,

- (i) the person speaking.
- (ii) the person spoken to, and
- (iii) the person spoken of.

The Pronouns I and we, which denote the person or persons speaking, are said to be Personal Pronouns of the **First Person**.

The Pronoun you, which denotes the person or persons spoken to, is said to be a Personal Pronoun of the **Second Person**.

You is used both in the singular and plural.

The pronouns he (she) and they, which denote the person or persons spoken of, are said to be Personal Pronouns of the Third Person. It, although it denotes the thing spoken of, is also called a Personal Pronoun of the **Third Person**.

## EXERCISE

Write the correct form of Pronoun in the following.

- 1 We scored as many goals as .....  
(they, them)
- 2 Rama and ..... were present. (I, me)
- 3 Can you sing as well as .....(they, them)
4. Let you and ..... try what we can do.  
(I,me)
5. Wait for Hari and .....(I, me)
6. You know that as well as .....(I,me)
7. It was ..... ..that gave you the alarm.  
(I, me)
8. Between you and .....,I do not believe him. (I,me)
9. We are not as poor as ..... (they, them)
- 10 Rama is as old as.....(I,me)
- 11 He is known to my brother and.....  
(I,me)
12. He is as good as .....(I,me)