Lesson 1: Pronouns

1. We can use a subject pronoun or an object pronoun to replace the name of someone or something we have already mentioned.

   For people:
   - Subject pronouns: I, she, he, we
   - Object pronouns: me, her, him, us
   - Subject pronouns: they, you
   - Object pronouns: them, you, it, them

   e.g. Vicky is not at home. She is at the office.
   Peter is sick today. He is sleeping now.
   Mr. Chan has a dog. He likes it very much.

2. We use a subject pronoun as the subject before a verb.
   We use an object pronoun as the object after a verb.
3. We also use an object pronoun as the object after a preposition (with, for, to, at, etc.)

e.g. Tom is free tomorrow. I will have lunch with him.
The children are playing at the playground. Ann is looking for them.
Today is my dad’s birthday. I bought a wallet for him.
The necklace was very beautiful. May looked at it for a long time.

Exercise 1
June is writing about her new school and friends. Complete her writing with the correct subject pronouns.

My new school and friends

I like my new school. (1) ___________ is in Tai Po. There is a big playground. (2) ___________ have two new friends, Judy and Cindy. (3) ___________ are my classmates. (4) ___________ are all in Class 1D. Our class teacher is Miss Chan. (5) ___________ is kind and friendly. Our English teacher is Miss Wong. (6) ___________ is very nice. (7) ___________ always asks us, ‘Do (8) ___________ like English lessons, boys and girls?’ I enjoy her lessons very much.

Exercise 2
Fill in the blanks with correct pronouns.

1. This is my sister’s boyfriend, Tom. ___________ is a teacher.

2. ___________ is already midnight. My father hasn’t come back yet.

3. These books aren’t mine. Are ___________ Ben’s?

4. We were walking near Jim’s school last Monday when we met ___________.

5. You can sit here. ___________ is your seat.

6. When you have finished reading this report, please pass ___________ up to the manager.

7. I met George and Tim yesterday. I took a walk with ___________ to the MTR station.

8. I have a dog. It loves to play with ___________.

9. Where are the cups? ___________ are not in the cupboard. I can’t find ___________ anywhere.

10. I met my cousins yesterday. ___________ had a great time together.
Exercise 3
*Fill in the blanks with correct personal pronouns.*

1. They saved the dolphins and helped ____________ to get back to the ocean.

2. Candy is my classmate. ____________ is also my best friend.

3. We are going to see a movie. ____________ begins at 6 p.m.

4. Some students are so hard working that ____________ devote much time to their study.

5. Do you know where Helen is? I have something important to tell ____________.

6. Don’t disturb your classmates or the teacher will punish ____________.

7. John is a nice guy. Everyone likes ____________.

8. Suki and Yuki are twins. ____________ look alike.

9. I love my cat. ____________ is the loveliest creature in the world.

10. Where is your mother? I think ____________ is in the kitchen.

11. Tell the students that ____________ must wait for their parents before leaving the school.

12. ____________ am happy that your are my best friend.

13. The children are doing their homework, and ____________ are concentrated that I do not want to disturb ____________.

14. Jessica is busy with her examination and ____________ will not come today. You can call ____________ next week.

15. Can you give ____________ that bag to have a look?

16. ____________ was raining outside that ____________ could not swim in our school’s swimming pool.

17. Jack forgot to bring his glasses. ____________ could only see things unclearly.

18. Remember to bring your passports tomorrow. Otherwise, ____________ cannot check-in on time.
Exercise 4
Use the proper pronouns to replace some unnecessary subjects and rewrite all the sentences.

1. Mrs. Chow is in the kitchen. Mrs. Chow is preparing dinner.

2. Jenny’s brother, Bill is still a baby boy. Jenny’s brother can’t walk yet.

3. Susan bought a book. The book was very expensive.

4. Joe and John are brothers. Joe and John go to the same school.

5. Mike is not a fan of Julia Roberts. Mike likes Brad Pitt.

6. These students are having lessons. These students are quiet and attentive.


8. Kelly is a good runner. Kelly has a lot of medals.

9. Cindy is not a student anymore. Cindy is a nurse now.

10. Maple’s dog is lovely. Maple’s dog is quiet and obedient.

11. Jay has great ambitions. Jay wants to be a doctor and serves people in Africa.